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### COMMENT OF THE DAY

#### The Suez Canal Dispute

THE part which Russia intends eventually to play in the Suez Canal drama becomes a subject of increasing importance to the principal protagonists. Little doubt need be entertained that the Soviets mean to have a big say in the future of the canal. The Russian Ambassador has now held four meetings with Col Nasser in five days and they certainly weren't for the purpose of discussing each other's health. It can be accepted that the line taken so far by the Soviet press reflects the official viewpoint and from this it is plain that Russia, whether or not she attends the London conference, will in due course officially endorse Nasser's nationalisation act; will also oppose any move to denationalise the Suez Canal Company, and will probably not be prepared to support anything more than a general agreement that will impose on Egypt the duty of keeping the canal open at all times to international shipping.

If Russia should adopt this position it will certainly not be agreeable to Britain and France, who have emphatically declared that in their opinion a waterway of the importance to the world which the Suez Canal possesses, cannot become a national possession, operated purely in national interests and with its availability to international shipping dependent on the whims of a single government.

THIS will be the main Anglo-French line of argument at the London conference, and it is, in fact, the crux of the dispute. Justification of Nasser's action in arbitrarily nationalising the canal company may or may not be debated. The neutrals appear to think that it is irrelevant and even Iraq, Britain's closest ally in the Arab world, has expressed the view that it considers Egypt has a right to nationalise the company. Nevertheless it is difficult to imagine how the London conference can avoid discussing the act of nationalisation. It is, after all, the cause of the crisis which has arisen and the propriety as well as the legality of the act must surely occupy the minds and attention of the participants in the conference.

ANY country which subscribes to an act such as that perpetrated by Nasser cannot boast of very high standards of political morality and integrity. It is the ultimate in specious pleading to compare Nasser's nationalisation of an international company with Britain's nationalisation of some of her domestic industries and waterways. Britain's nationalisation was done with the will of the people, and the same will approved a certain amount of denationalising when a new government went into power. Nasser's action is that of a dictator—unilateral and without warning or good reason.

What Nasser has done cannot be dismissed as a fait accompli or shrugged off as being of no importance. Egypt's right to nationalise her own domestic enterprises will not be disputed. But the Suez Canal and the company which keeps it in operation is not a domestic enterprise and the countries which attend the London conference will have to face up to that point of view whether they like it or not. What the conference will produce is difficult to forecast. It may well be negative so far as reaching any definite agreement that Egypt will be obliged to accept and honour. If such be the case a dangerous situation could be created, especially if, as a Syrian report has it, Russia and Egypt are about to conclude a treaty of mutual aid.

# South American City Devastated: \$20 Million Damage HUGE EXPLOSION KILLS 800

## SEVEN DYNAMITE TRUCKS BLOW UP AT NIGHT SABOTAGE SUSPECTED

Cali, Aug. 7.

Between 800 and 1,000 people were killed early this morning when seven ammunition trucks carrying 1,025 cases of dynamite blew up in a densely populated part of Cali, third largest city of Colombia.

More than 2,000 people were injured and first estimates of the damage were \$20 million. United Press said that eight city blocks were destroyed.

Sabotage is suspected and President Rojas Pinilla vowed the Government would not rest "until the material and intellectual culprits of this treacherous and criminal conspiracy are severely and justly punished".

### 'No Big Stick' Says Wilson

## U.S. BACKS TALKS TO SETTLE CANAL DISPUTE

Washington, Aug. 7.

The Secretary of Defence, Mr Charles Wilson, said today the United States intended to exhaust all possible means of discussion in the Suez Canal dispute "rather than waving the big stick and threatening."

Speaking at a crowded press conference, Mr Wilson declined to be drawn by reporters pressing him for details of what military action the United States might take in the event of war in the Middle East.

"Mr Dulles is making a great effort to handle this (the Suez Canal crisis) and I won't comment on any part of it," Mr Wilson said.

But he did say he hoped that if trouble did break out in the area "it would be local friction and not something that would involve the East and the West."

### WAR DANGER

There was always the possibility that any war which might break out might let rip into a bigger war. "But we haven't got to war yet," Mr Wilson added.

It was probably much easier to work out problems over a conference table than to stop a war once it had started, he said.

"I am sure that the purpose of our country is to exhaust all possible means of discussing the problem to reach a fair settlement."

part of the vessels flying the Panamanian flag.

The Peruvian ambassador, Mr Fernando Berckmeyer, told reporters that Mr Dulles thought it was certain the London conference would take place.

France-Press.

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Mr Wilson was asked whether the Suez crisis would affect the United States military programme. He replied: "We can't flip up and down because of a relatively small thing."

Challenged on the use of the phrase "relatively small thing," Mr Wilson said he did not wish to minimise the seriousness of the situation.

"The canal itself is such an important transportation medium—it is an international highway," Mr Wilson said. "That adds to the difficulties. It is not like a local road between two small countries, or even a civil war."

Mr Wilson refused comment on whether the United States planned to send additional marines to the Mediterranean. Asked how the United States stood to meet any possible outbreak of violence in the Middle East, he replied: "We have a powerful military organisation."—Reuter.

## AMERICA DRAWS LINE

Another Washington report said the Secretary of State, Mr Foster Dulles, was reported to have said today that if Egypt carried out a military occupation of the Suez Canal installations, France and Britain would feel they had the right to resort to force.

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Among buildings destroyed were an Army and Police barracks, a railway terminus, 20 small hotels, several guest houses, pharmaceutical laboratories, the head office of General Motors and the Ford Motor Company, the Government Liquor Monopoly and many cafes, factories and repair shops.

Several arrests have been made already, according to France-Press.

The area where the explosion occurred is a giant smouldering crater and one reporter telephoning a story to his New York office said "it looks as if a block-buster had dropped."

### Barracks Destroyed

United Press said the seven Army trucks were part of a convoy of 20 carrying dynamite, cartridges and other explosives from the part of Buenaventura to the capital, Bogota.

Thirteen passed through Cali and continued their journey to Bogota. Drivers of seven others decided to spend the night at Cali.

They parked their trucks near an Army barracks and it is believed that 800 soldiers and policemen sleeping there were killed immediately when the explosion destroyed the building.

Most other victims were working people who lived in the neighbourhood or who had stayed up late in cafes celebrating the eve of the anniversary of the Battle of Boyaca—a national holiday.

### Funerals Held

Meanwhile donations of food, clothing, pharmaceuticals and blood plasma have been arriving in Cali. Among the contributions are vaccines, serums and other medical supplies flown into Colombia from the United States.

Doctors and nurses from principal cities and towns are also being flown into the stricken city.

Rescue workers are digging in the ruins for wounded people believed trapped in the rubble.

Collective funeral services have started in Calcedo Plaza, the principal square of Cali.—United Press and France-Press.

## 247 Million Gallons More Water!

THE COLONY'S RESERVOIRS GAINED 247 MILLION GALLONS OF WATER IN THE 24 HOURS TO 8 A.M. TODAY.

The total storage was then 3,637 million gallons.

Consumption yesterday amounted to 33 million gallons and the intake from streams and catchment areas was 280 million gallons.

Rainfall registered by the Water Authority at Tytarn was 1.62 inches, at Aberdeen 1.53 inches, at Pokfulam 1.19 inches and 1.01 inches at Shing Mun, in the New Territories.

## TOO MUCH OF DIANA SHOWED!

Hollywood, Aug. 7. Mrs Diana Dors, Britain's gift to Hollywood, had to make a scene in her first American film today because "too much of Diana" showed.

She blonde actress came to the set in a pink cocktail dress with low cleavage but when the director, Mr Hal Kanter, saw "too much" of the actress in the protection room later he exclaimed: "That will never get by the censors. Too much of Diana shows."

The scene, for the film "I married a woman" being made after modifications in Miss Dors' gown.

"Occupational hazard," was Miss Dors' comment.—Reuter.

## GENERAL'S HOUSE SEARCHED

Saigon, Aug. 7. South Vietnam Security Police today searched the private residence of General Nguyen Thanh Phung, former Commander of the Cao Dai religious sect's army, it was officially announced tonight.

A Police communique said Police searched the General's house following the arrest of several individuals involved in the recent theft of numerous private motor cars in the city recently.

They found within the General's compounds three cars, allegedly with counterfeit licence plates and of "doubtful origin," and several firearms including mortars and machine guns, the communique said.—Reuter.

## JOINT ANGLO-FRENCH COMMAND LIKELY French Defence Ministry Spokesman's Disclosure

Paris, Aug. 7.

A French Defence Ministry spokesman said today that Britain and France would certainly set up a joint command in the event of operations in the Middle East.

French General Staff officers are at present in London in close liaison with their British colleagues, he added.

He was replying to questions about French press reports that the setting up of a joint Anglo-French Supreme Command was being studied.

### Convention Violated

A Foreign Office spokesman was asked by an Egyptian journalist at a press conference today why Britain was "so concerned" about the free passage of Israeli-bound ships through the Suez Canal when she and France had done nothing about the restrictions for some years.

The spokesman replied: "There is no reason in diplomacy why a mistake, once made, should go on being repeated for ever."

because a crime has been committed some years back that it should be allowed to go on being committed with impunity and indefinitely."

An Indian journalist asked: "Do you consider that Egypt has violated the international convention?" The spokesman replied: "Yes, sir."

Several questions were put to the spokesman about how the majority rule would be applied to the 24-power conference in London, and whether it only a minority of nations voted the majority decision would be considered valid.

To these questions the spokesman replied that the rules of procedure governing the conference would be decided by the participants themselves. "The rule in free democracies is decision by majority," he said. (Contd. on back page, Col. 3)

## SENSATIONAL CLAIM BY SHIPPING LINE

### 'Andrea Doria Veered Across Stockholm's Course'

New York, Aug. 7.

The Swedish-American Line charged today that the Andrea Doria veered directly across the course of the Stockholm on a moonlit sea and was entirely to blame for the collision.

The petition was the first given by either line regarding the circumstances of the collision on July 25 off Nantucket light in which the Andrea Doria sank with a loss of life of 52.

The line filed a petition in US District Court asking for exoneration and limitation of liability.

It said it would later sue the Italian Line, owners of the Andrea Doria, for damages and losses.

### Detailed Account

The petition gave a detailed account of the 20 minutes preceding the collision off Nantucket Island in what had previously been described as thick fog. However, the petition said visibility was "good" and the Andrea Doria could be seen from the Stockholm's bridge at a distance of two miles.

According to the petition, the Stockholm and the Andrea Doria were in position to pass safely port side to port and the Stockholm turned starboard to give even greater passing distance.

The Andrea Doria was showing her white masthead lights "so as to pass at a safe distance," it said.

### Suddenly It Veered

The Andrea Doria, however, suddenly closed out her red light, showed her green light, and veered sharply to her own left or port at undiminished speed, turning across the bow of the Stockholm, the petition charged.

"The Stockholm went hard right and full astern, but it was impossible to avoid collision."

The petition said the Stockholm's radar was "operating perfectly" at the time of the collision, proper lookouts were posted, the helmsman was at the wheel and the watch officer was on the bridge plotting the Andrea Doria's course. It said the Stockholm first saw the Italian liner's image on radar when it was 10 miles away.

The petition charged that the Andrea Doria was not properly manned or equipped, that those in charge were "careless, incompetent and inattentive to their duties," and that no adequate measures were taken to avoid the collision.

### "Woefully Operated"

It said the Andrea Doria's radar equipment was "woefully maintained and operated" and no proper lookout was maintained. The Italian liner was travelling at "immoderate and excessive speed" and it failed to sound signals as required under international rule, it added.

The Assistant General Manager of the Italian Line, Sr Permgotti, said he would have no statement until he had seen all papers in relation to the court action.—United Press.

### Nine Die in Crash

Vienna, Aug. 7. Nine people were killed and 19 seriously injured when two trains collided near the town of Prgrova in Czechoslovakia today.—United Press.

## BOMBS GO OFF IN CYPRUS

Nicosia, Aug. 7.

A series of bomb explosions was reported tonight from several parts of Cyprus following the official announcement that three terrorists will be hanged on Thursday.

No casualties were reported in any of the blasts and in only one was damage serious. A time bomb which exploded in a contractor's yard next to generating equipment at a Royal Air Force station at Akrotiri caused damage officially described as "extensive."

Political prisoners held in Cypriot detention camps decided today to start a 24-hour hunger strike from dawn tomorrow in protest against the decision to carry out the executions of three Cypriot terrorists.—Reuter and France-Press.

### Border Incident

Jerusalem, Aug. 7.

An Israeli military spokesman said today settlers working in the fields in the Belkan valley were fired on from the Jordanian side of the border today.

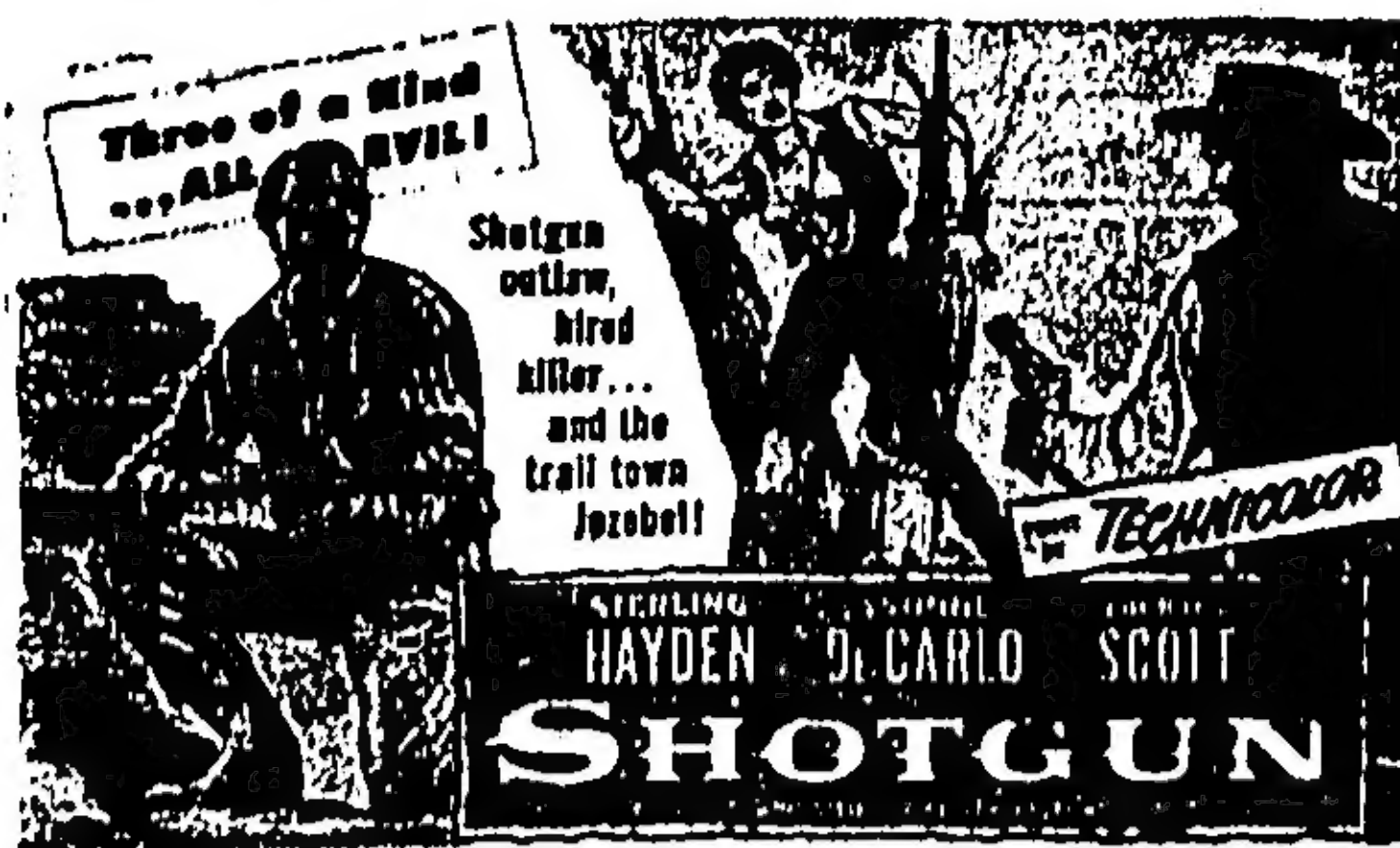
The Israelis returned the fire and withdrew without any casualties.—Reuter.

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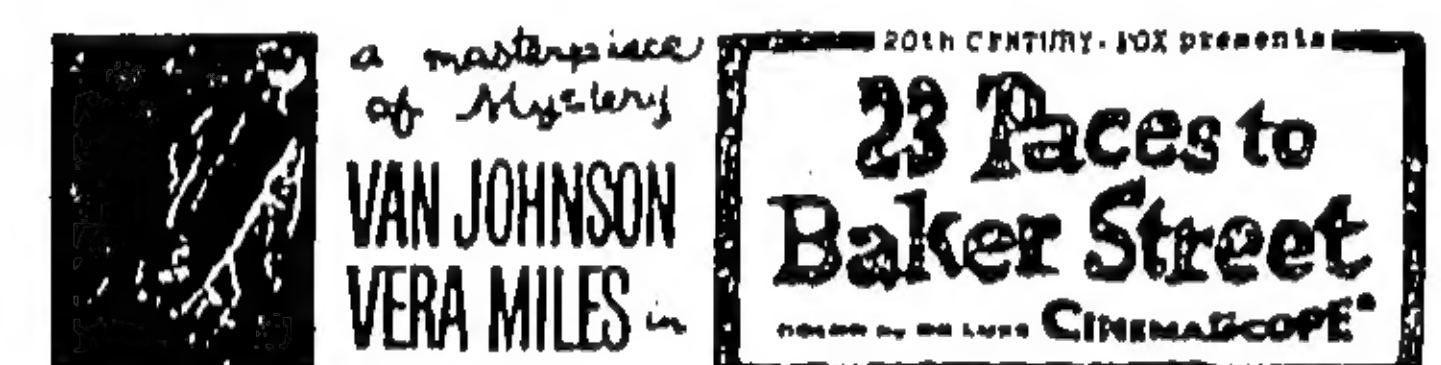
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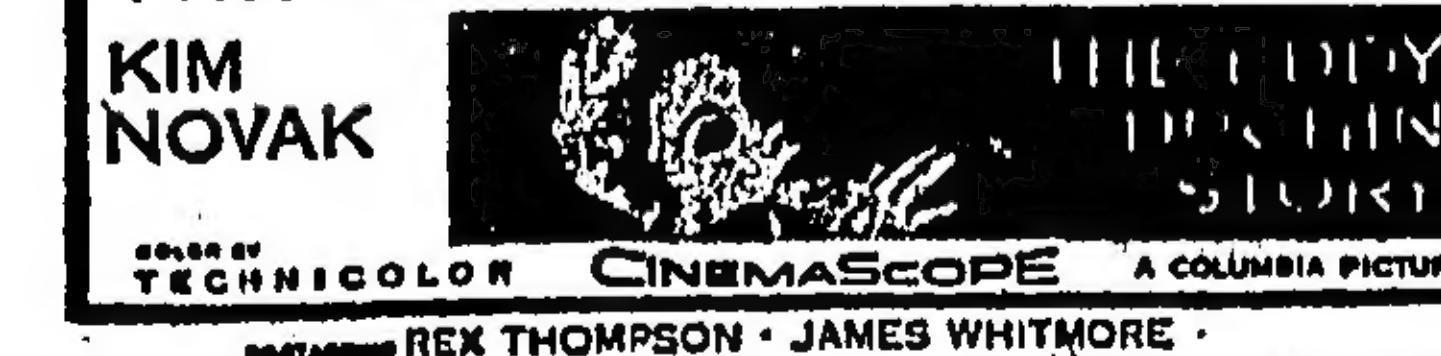


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## TREASURE CLAIMED BY STATE

San Francisco, Aug. 7. Treasure salvaged from ancient wrecks on the ocean floor within the three-mile limit belonged to the State of California, the State Attorney General, Mr. Edmund Brown, has ruled.

The finder is entitled to only "reasonable charges" for turning the treasure over to the State, according to his opinion.

The ruling was given in the case of a "skin diver" who found the bulk of a Spanish galleon off Solana Beach, in Southern California, and returned to the surface with a massive gold and sapphire ring valued at \$50 dollars (£220 sterling).

60 FEET OF WATER

The bulk is believed to be one of the ships which the explorer San Francisco del Oliva sank in 1541. It lies in 60 feet of water and within the three-mile limit.

"We have concluded," Mr. Brown said, "that the title to the bulk and the property therein and thereabout is in the State, and that the State's rights can properly be asserted by the Director of Finance."

Mr. Brown cited precedents and court decisions dating back to 1774 to establish the State's claim. —China Mail Special.

## Silence Day For Madrid Motorists

Madrid, Aug. 7. August 15 will be "S" Day — Dia de Silencio, Silence Day — in Madrid.

From August 15 onwards, Madrid motorists will be forbidden to sound their horns and it is hoped that the city will lose its reputation of being one of Europe's noisiest towns.

Motorists are not too happy at the prospect. They are used to driving at high speed through the central streets, relying on the use of powerful hooters to get through.

### WORRIED

Pedestrians are worried as to what will happen to them if the motorists continue to drive in the centre of the town at the speeds which are customary here.

Traffic discipline has improved in recent years. Formerly, it was necessary to station traffic policemen at intersections controlled by traffic lights. Motorists took no notice of the lights if they saw no policeman.

Now, many intersections with lights control have no policeman. —China Mail Special.

## Factory Damaged By Bomb Blast

Algiers, Aug. 8. A bomb blasted a tobacco factory in the heart of Algiers last night and caused serious damage. No one was hurt.

In Philippeville, five people were injured when nationalists hurled a grenade near a small post office. —Reuter.

# REBELS FIRE FOREST IN ALGERIA

## Garage And Factory Attacked: Several Assassinations Reported

Algiers, Aug. 7.

Algiers firemen, aided by troops and police, battled a forest fire today reportedly set by rebels in the idyllic Bainem Woods, six miles west of the city.

### Poznan Riots

## NO REPLY TO INT'L JURISTS

The Hague, Aug. 7. The International Commission of Jurists announced tonight it had received no reply from the Polish Government to a request to send a delegation of jurists to the trials of people involved in the "we want bread" riots in Poznan in June.

The Commission, a non-political organisation, last month asked permission to send four jurists, including Mr. Geoffrey de Freitas, British member of Parliament, to the trials which it said tonight were likely to begin between August 10 and 15. —Reuter.

## Nanyang Uni. Appointments

Singapore, Aug. 7. Two professors from Formosa are to join the staff of Nanyang University, Singapore, when the second term of the first academic year begins on August 27.

They are Prof. K. Fan and Prof. Chung Shih-ping, both American university graduates, who arrived in Singapore last week.

Prof. Fan has been appointed Dean of the Faculty of Social Study and Education, and Prof. Chung is to take charge of the Faculty of Science.

Prof. Chen Chun-nan, the Executive Council spokesman, said today: "We expect to recruit more men either from Formosa or Hongkong." —Reuter.

## BEE WITHOUT A STING

Hanover, Aug. 7. The Lower Saxon Apiculture Institute is trying to breed a bee which will not sting.

First experiments have produced a bee so peaceful that the bee keeper does not need to wear a veil. But so far the "bee without a sting" produces less honey than its more warlike relations. —China Mail Special.

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## Procession Of Penitents



The 310th anniversary of the Belgian procession of Penitents of Fines was held recently. The Penitents parade through the streets wearing monks' hoods and carrying crosses. Pictures show the crosses in procession. — Express Photo.

## Crabbe Reported In Russia

Copenhagen, Aug. 7.

Members of the Russian Anti-Communist refugee movement, NTS, said here today they had information suggesting that the missing British frogman, Lieutenant-Commander Lionel Crabbe, was not dead but was in the Soviet Union.

Commander Crabbe disappeared when diving in Portsmouth harbour during the visit there last April of the Soviet cruiser Ordzhonikidze.

The NTS members said they had learned from Soviet sailors on the Ordzhonikidze and two destroyers which left here today after an official visit, that, on the cruiser's return voyage from England part of the ship's hospital was strongly blocked off.

### Quite Clear

It was quite clear that there was someone in the cordoned off area, but none of the crew knew whom, the sailors are quoted as saying.

When the Soviet cruiser and two destroyers arrived in

## Americans Warned Not To Accept Peking Invitation

Washington, Aug. 7.

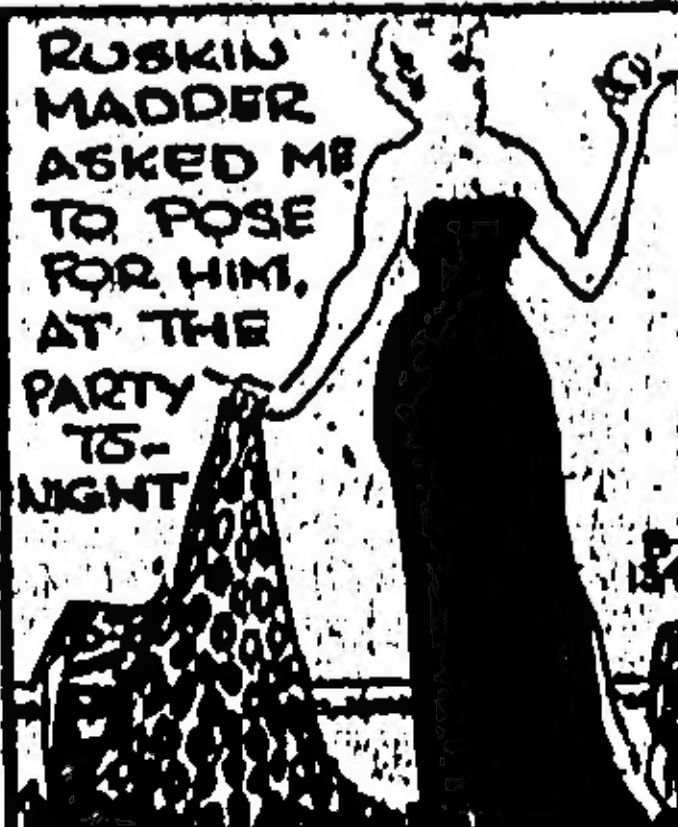
A State Department communique declared today that no Americans "should accept the Chinese Communist invitation to travel in Communist China" so long as Americans continued to be detained in China.

The communique said the Department had "taken note" of the Chinese invitation to a group of 15 American journalists who accepted the invitation to visit China, but it declared that any journalist who accepted the invitation would "violate the policy and laws" of the United States and would be liable to a five-year prison sentence and a fine not exceeding \$2,000.

The communique said the United States welcomed the "free exchange of information as between different countries, irrespective of political or social differences." But it added, "Communist China had created a special impediment" by adopting the practice of "taking American citizens into captivity and holding them" in effect as political hostages.

A State Department spokesman said that 11 Americans were still detained in China. —France-Press.

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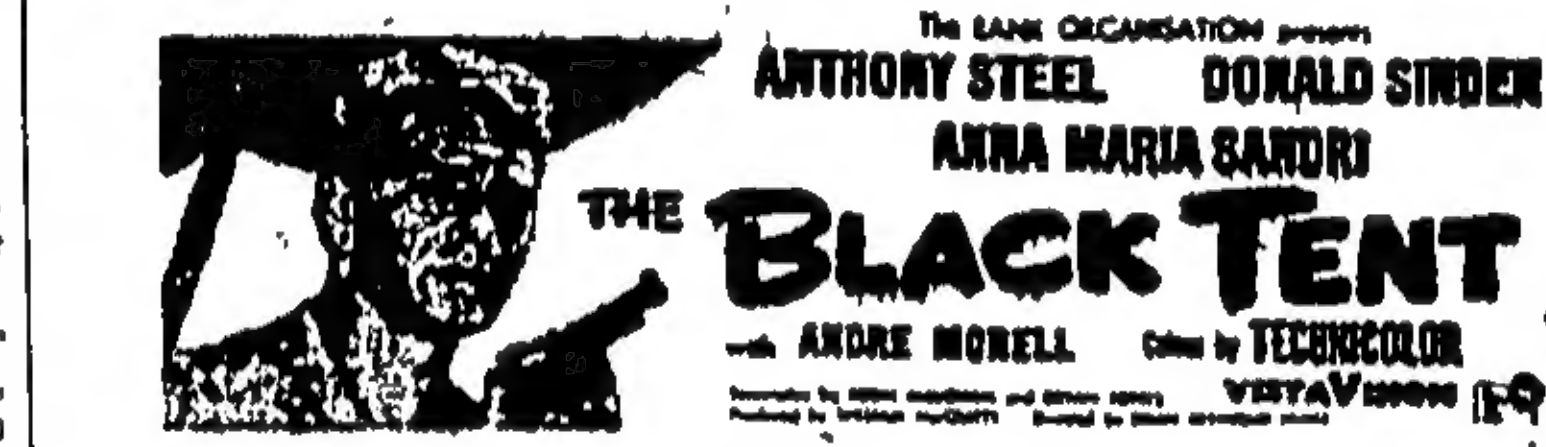


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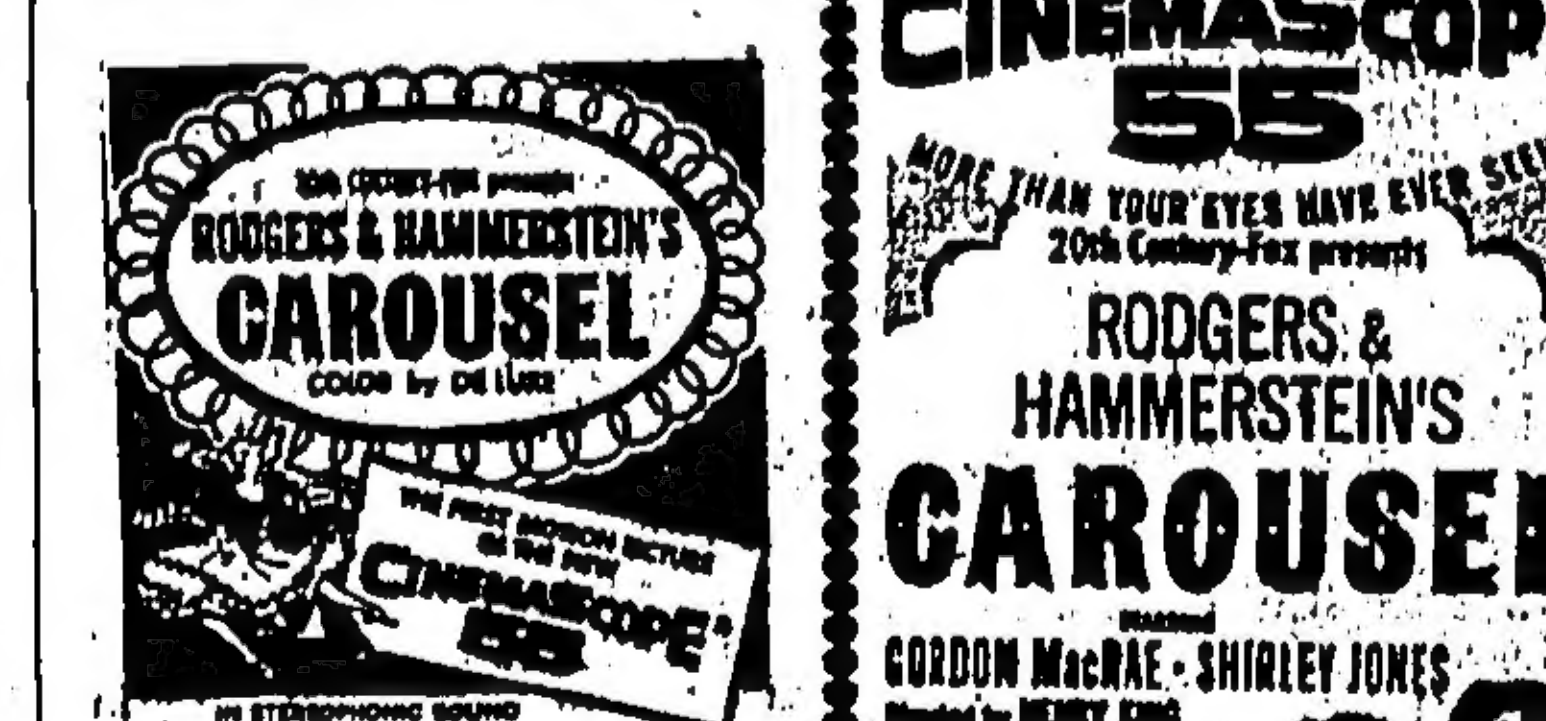


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# Latin Americans Question Use Of Force At Suez

## AMBASSADORS DISCUSS CRISIS WITH FOSTER DULLES

Washington, Aug. 7.

The State Department said today that there was "informal speculation as to the juridical basis for the use of armed force in the canal zone" during a conference between Mr John Foster Dulles, the Secretary of State and the heads of mission of the twenty Latin American republics on the Suez crisis.

United States officials explained that this "informal speculation" arose when the Latin American representatives questioned Mr Dulles about the possibility of Britain and France using armed force over Egypt's seizure of the Suez Canal.

They said Mr Dulles had told the ambassadors that it might be a result of Egypt's seizure of the Suez that they had the right to use force themselves.

### What Transpired

The following is the text of the State Department announcement which followed five hours after the meeting:

"The Secretary met this morning with the chiefs of mission of the 20 other American republics. The meeting was called at the Secretary's request in order to discuss with the Latin American ambassadors what transpired in the recent talks in London dealing with the Suez Canal."

At this stage the State Department spokesman, Mr Joseph Reap, interrupted his statement to say that the remainder was in reply to reports which quoted the Panamanian Ambassador, Dr Don Joaquin Jose Valerino, as saying when he left this morning's conference that there had been talk about the right of Britain and France using armed force in the Suez crisis.

### Deploying Egyptians

Mr Reap then continued his statement which said:

"During the meeting there was informal speculation as to the juridical basis for the use of armed force in the canal zone. The Secretary pointed out that the proceedings in London had been designed not to justify the use of force but to avoid the use of force."

He did, however, allude to the fact that it was reported that President Nasser had announced that he himself was

deploying Egyptian forces to take over the canal works."

Correspondents immediately questioned Mr Reap about the implication of the latter part of his statement. They asked him if the Secretary had decided that because President Nasser had used force, then Britain and France had the right to meet force with force.

Mr Reap replied: "The Secretary didn't deal with the rights, powers, privileges or proprieties of any nation using force in connection with the canal."

A correspondent asked then if the informal speculation, referred to in his statement about Britain and France being prepared to use force, had arisen as a result of inquiries from the Latin American representatives.

Mr Reap said: "That's precisely how it happened."

Asked if the United States considered that the Egyptian seizure of the Suez Canal had constituted the use of force, Mr Reap said: "I don't know the

answer to that. We know they have taken over by constabulary and some other forces."

Another question dealt with the possibility of the United Nations being used for adjudication and decision on the Suez quarrel, but Mr Reap said he did not know whether this matter was raised at the conference.

A correspondent told Mr Reap that he was leaving the implication that some juridical basis had been established by Colonel Nasser's use of force for Britain and France to use force; Mr Reap said: "No I did not say that at all."

### Int'l Control

Mr Reap said that to his knowledge Mr Dulles did not express a view whether Egypt's behaviour had given an excuse for the use of force.

Mr Reap said he did not know whether the question of the international control of the canal had been discussed — Reuter.

## Syria Proposes Talks

Damascus, Aug. 7.

The Syrian Foreign Minister, Salah Bittar, said today that Syria, along with other Arab countries had contacted the Asian Colombo powers on the Suez issue.

Bittar said the object of these contacts was to find out if it would be feasible to call a conference between Egypt and the Colombo powers or even an Asian-African Bandung conference to fix a common attitude concerning the British and French position on the Suez issue.

### On Purpose

The Syrian Foreign Minister said the Colombo powers (India, Pakistan, Ceylon, Burma and Indonesia) had not yet replied to the Arab states' proposal.

He said the Western powers had chosen August 16 as the date for the London Suez conference on purpose so that the Arab states would not have time to take any action that might hinder the London conference beforehand.

Bittar said he might visit Baghdad and other Arab capitals to brief the governments of these countries on the Syrian point of view concerning the Suez Canal and other questions affecting the Arab world.

The Syrian Foreign Minister said the visit had not yet been officially decided by the Government and therefore no dates were fixed.

### For Lebanon

Bittar and the Syrian Premier, Sabri Assali, are to leave Damascus tonight for Lebanon for talks with

Lebanese President, Camille Chamoun, and government leaders.

Informed sources here said Premier Assali would accompany Foreign Minister Bittar on his visits to other Arab capitals. The visits would be made before the forthcoming meeting of the Arab League's Political Committee.

Meanwhile Ceylon is seeking still further clarification of the objectives of the London conference, an External Affairs Ministry spokesman said tonight. No details were given.

He said Ceylon would wait until the polls had been held before deciding whether to accept an invitation to the conference.

This latest move follows a meeting here earlier today between the Ceylon Prime Minister, Mr Solomon Bandaranaike, and the British Deputy High Commissioner, Mr Norman Costar.

It is understood that Mr Costar explained points about the conference on which Ceylon had earlier sought clarification.

### Egypt Supported

A public meeting organised by the leading opposition parties here today unanimously supported Egypt's right to nationalise the Suez Canal Company.

It passed a resolution stating that Egypt had the same right to claim control over the canal as Ceylon had to claim control over foreign bases in her territory.

Warlike actions and threats of military force by Britain, France and the United States would only worsen the situation and alienate world opinion against them, the resolution added. — France-Press and Reuter.

## Replies Corrected

London, Aug. 7.

The British Foreign Office tonight issued a statement correcting some replies given by its spokesman at a Press conference today.

The Foreign Office statement said: "Some misunderstanding may have arisen from the answers given by the Foreign Office spokesman at this morning's Press conference, with regard to the scope of the proposed conference on Suez."

"The invitations were issued in the following terms: 'The British Government hereby invite the government to take part in a conference to be held in London on August 16, in order to consider what steps could be most appropriately taken to establish operational arrangements under an international system designed to ensure the continuity of operation of the canal as guaranteed by the convention of October 29, 1888, consistently with legitimate Egyptian interests.'"

The Foreign Office statement continued: "That is the scope of the conference. It is not intended that the conference should concern itself with proposals which do not come within these terms. It will be for the conference itself to decide its procedure."

"It is of course correct, as the Foreign Office spokesman said, that while the conference is called to discuss the principle of internationalisation, and while that principle was agreed by the United Kingdom, United States and French governments, acceptance of the invitation does not necessarily imply acceptance of the principle of internationalisation."

Asked whether this statement meant that it was inconceivable that as earlier stated, proposals other than those relating to internationalisation could be tabled at the conference, the Foreign Office spokesman said that he could not add to the announcement just made. — Reuter.

## RED DEAN FOR CHINA



Dr Howlett Johnson, Britain's "Red Dean" of Canterbury, left London Airport last Wednesday with his wife and daughter Kezia, 16, and Karen, 14, en route for a holiday in China. They are to attend a festival in Peking in October, returning homeward through the USSR via the Trans-Siberian air route—Express Photo.

## Democrats See Canal As Major Point In Electoral Issue

New York, Aug. 7.

The Suez crisis prompted the Democratic Party today to make foreign policy a major US election issue.

The Republicans and President Eisenhower have made "peace and prosperity" their slogan for re-election in November. A month ago, foreign policy appeared to be the last thing that anyone wanted to debate in the 1956 campaign. But Suez and heightened apprehension over possible Middle East conflict brought a drastic change.

For the Democrats, former President Harry Truman is expected on Thursday to sound the Party theme on foreign policy when he appears before the Party's Platform Committee. The Democrats are expected to adopt a programme of all-out attack on the Eisenhower-Dulles policies, blaming the Republican leaders for "diplomatic fumbling" that has weakened the US position in world affairs.

### Personal Triumph

There is no doubt that Mr Dulles scored a personal triumph with his calm and reasoned report on Suez to the public on television last week. But approval of the Eisenhower-Dulles policy of moderation on the crisis must be balanced against the strong criticism raised against the Republicans on a number of other points.

What the Suez issue has done is to reopen the almost-forgotten argument about Arab-Israeli relations and the US refusal to sell arms to Israel. Pro-Israel

pressure groups have begun to hint that the administration might be forced to change its attitude on the arms question because of the Suez affair.

Nothing in the Eisenhower-Dulles statements has indicated such a move. But in an election year, persistent argument about a touchy question can develop into a critical national debate picked up by politicians for partisan purposes.

### Staked Everything

The 1956 campaign has been marked in these early stages by moods of Republican complacency and Democratic defeatism. The Republicans are so certain that no one can defeat Eisenhower that the party has staked everything on his candidacy.

The Democrats, many of them sharing the Republican view on Mr Eisenhower's popularity, have begun to show unity behind Mr Adlai Stevenson only in the past two weeks, but there has been no issue which the Democrats could seize to stir the public out of a general feeling dangerously close to apathy.

Republicans have admitted that the only two things they feared before the election would be another health setback for the President, or a foreign development which would disturb the Party claim of "peace and prosperity."

Now Republicans are none too happy that the international conference on the Suez will open just before their nominating convention and before they have had a chance to draft their own platform for the 1956 campaign. Any worsening of the Suez situation could force the Republicans to take a stand which could well give the Democrats the opportunity they seek to make foreign policy the biggest issue of debate.

### Colder Allies

Former Senator William Benton, an assistant Secretary of State under President Truman, gave a hint of the Democratic party outlook today when he called for a "return of our foreign policy to competent and experienced hands." He told the Party Platform Committee that Mr Dulles had placed too much emphasis on military pacts—even though this was a policy initiated by Mr Truman—and blamed Mr Dulles for the fact that "now we have fewer friends...and colder allies."

"The neutrals are sceptical of us, even to the point of contempt...the administration has failed to counter Communism's appeal to the uncommitted and underdeveloped nations," he said.

Mr Benton's view was to campaign strenuously for a return to Democratic foreign policies of broad US aid to other nations and development of a broader economic aid programme instead of military assistance. It was Democratic Congressman, however, who fought most vigorously against Mr Eisenhower's foreign aid bill this year.

Other pre-convention developments today included:

Stevenson's nomination—the Illinois leader's backers claimed, 6984 first-ballot votes while crediting Mr Averell Harriman with 342. Only 6984 are needed to win the Party nomination. The Stevenson figures, compared with claims issued by Mr Harriman, showed that both sides are claiming the same 6984 votes in 18 States.

### Civil Rights

Civil Rights—the Democrats are still trying to work out a compromise declaration that will satisfy both Northern Liberals and Southern segregationists.

Vice-Presidency—Mr Stevenson has told Party leaders he believes the vice-presidential candidate must be someone who would be an effective agent for a White House legislative programme and could work closely with Congress to that end. Senator James Eastland, whose refusal to follow party leaders in Congress has made him unpopular with other Senators and Representatives, United States

## Mouth Of The Foolish Is Near Destruction

Wellington, Aug. 7.

A 27-year old sword-swallower will have cause to remember Verse 14, Chapter 10 of Proverbs. "But the mouth of the foolish is near destruction."

In the June issue of the New Zealand Medical Journal, Mr E. T. Dick records a case from Waikato hospital of a sword-swallower who practised his particular technique with a length of hardwood, eighteen inches long by half an inch wide.

"On a trial swallow he heard a crack and withdrew 8½ inches of his hardwood 'sword,' leaving 9½ inches in situ."

### NOT UPSET

"At the time this did not unduly upset him emotionally or physically, and it was not until he developed pain, made worse by swallowing food, that he sought medical advice five days later. He still did not appreciate the gravity of the situation."

After examination immediate removal was considered necessary.

"He has resumed sword-swallowing, but now sticks to steel. He complains he cannot manage to swallow the last six inches owing to the feeling of the sword being gripped at its lower end, as doubtless it is in the region of the cardiac, which inability hurts his pride and impairs his act."—China Mail Special.

## BACHELOR AGED 105

Auckland, Aug. 7.

Mr David Stewart, of Auckland, who, at 105, claims to be one of the world's oldest bachelors, is indignant because he was taken to hospital for treatment for two cracked ribs.

He injured himself falling down some concrete steps. He was taken to hospital but refused to stay as a patient.

"I am not at all badly hurt," he commented. "I am feeling just as fit as the days when I was a youngster."

He added indignantly: "If I do feel at all bad, I think it will be the fault of an injection they gave me at the hospital. I'm quite sure I'm getting over this minor accident. I expect to see my 120th birthday at least." — China Mail Special.

## Specialists Study Radiation

Copenhagen, Aug. 7.

Twenty of the world's leading geneticists from ten different countries opened a five day meeting here today to study the effects of radiation on human heredity.

The study group, which has been organised by the United Nations World Health Organisation (WHO), will try to formulate recommendations to combat dangers arising particularly from the increasing peaceful use of atomic energy.

Their report will be used to give guidance to national health administrations.

Professor A. C. Stevenson, Queen's University, Belfast, told today's meeting that WHO particularly wanted specific suggestions concerning research which could be helped by international co-operation, and other ways in which WHO could exchange information in this field.

The study group received a resolution from the first international conference on genetics which concluded its meeting here yesterday. This stressed the need for investigation of the amount and type of damage to hereditary material from radiation. — China Mail Special.

## Strawberry Proposal

Rotterdam, Aug. 7.

A Rotterdam housewife bought a basket of strawberries in a shop here and found a marriage proposal hidden under the fruit.

The message, written in pencil, said: "I am using this unusual way of trying to find an unmarried woman or widow member of provincial and local councils will be elected."

More than 30,000 candidates are running in the elections, nearly half of whom are independents.

Although opposition political groups have charged police with allegedly intimidating opposition candidates, the general public show little interest in the elections.—United Press.

## South Korea Hold Local Elections

Seoul, Aug. 7.

South Koreans will go to the polls on Wednesday for the first direct election of local administrative chiefs and council members.

A total of 690 chiefs of cities and towns and 17,130 members of local councils will be elected.

Separate balloting will be held on August 13 to elect 439 members of provincial and Seoul city assemblies.

The housewife gave her unmarried friends the address on the message. — China Mail Special.

## COMPANY OFFERS

### TERMS TO EMPLOYEES

Port Said, Aug. 7.  
The Suez Canal Company is to offer non-Egyptian employees "generous terms" if they desire to give up their jobs in Egypt and return to Europe, according to reliable sources here.

An offer, it was learnt, was brought back from Paris tonight by the French Ambassador to Cairo, M. Armand du Chayla, who is expected to communicate the terms to employees tomorrow through the British and French Consulates here, Ismailia and Suez.

The offer would reiterate that the company offered the choice to employees of either voluntarily choosing to remain in employment of the nationalised canal company authority or declaring their loyalty to the old company and leaving their jobs, the sources stated.

The sources said it was expected that the employees would be told that if they went to Europe they would be paid there as if they were on leave—that is, full pay and allowances.

The sources also said it was believed most of the British and French employees would accept the offer, and would attempt to leave their jobs with the nationalised Egyptian company.

The canal, the sources said, could be "paralysed" if British and French pilots—who total more than 100—decided to leave.—China Mail Special.

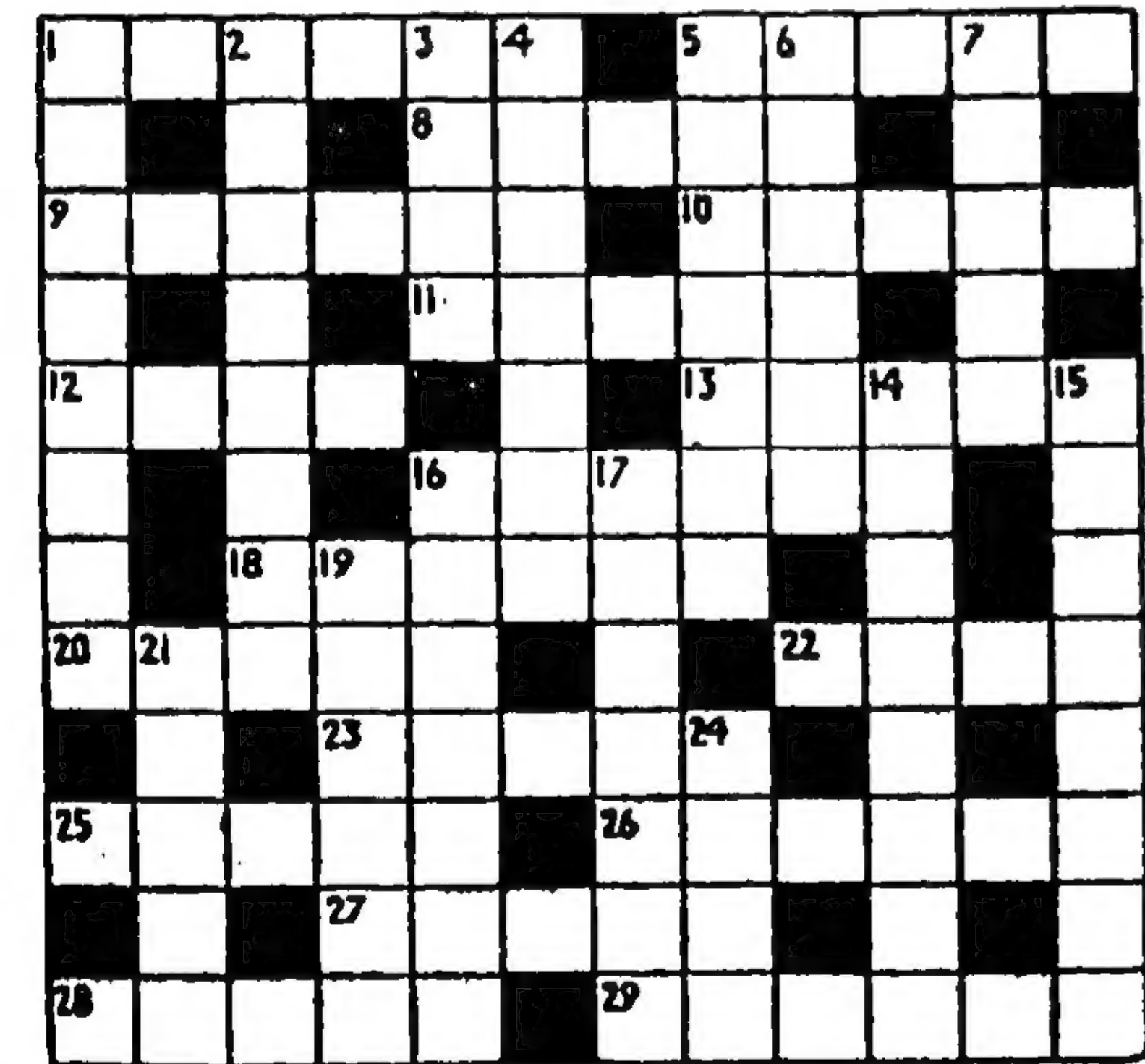
## Soviet Troops Leave East Germany

Berlin, Aug. 7.  
Two Soviet regiments, part of the 33,500 troops to be withdrawn from East Germany by May next year, left the Karl Marxstadt (formerly Chemnitz) district for home and demobilisation today, the East German news agency ADN reported.

The agency said they were given a hearty send-off by the local population. It was not stated how many officers and men the regiments comprised.

The first of the 33,500 left Barmen. Major General Dresden and Weimar last June. — Reuter.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



### ACROSS

- 1 Habit (6).
- 2 Stop (5).
- 3 Person (5).
- 4 Became unwell (6).
- 5 Awkward question (5).
- 6 Swift (5).
- 7 Responsibility (4).
- 8 Tries out (5).
- 9 Meal (6).
- 10 Savage (5).
- 11 Sole up (5).
- 12 Check (4).
- 13 Guide (5).
- 14 Cancel (5).
- 15 Boring tools (6).
- 16 Intends (5).
- 17 Command (5).
- 18 Vexed (6).

### DOWN

- 1 Client (8).
- 2 Gives way to (8).
- 3 Beyond (4).
- 4 Mosque tower (7).
- 5 Splendid (7).
- 6 Eats away (6).
- 7 Exhausted (5).
- 8 Speaks imperfectly (8).
- 9 Glimmer (8).
- 10 Cattle thief (7).
- 11 Spectacle (7).
- 12 Carry on again (6).
- 13 Internal (5).
- 14 Trick (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Poplar, 5 Smart, 6 Feet, 9 Atones, 11 Eerie, 12 Deduce, 14 West, 15 Legal, 18 Stone, 19 Move, 20 Terror, 24 Drill, 25 Acute, 26 Edge, 27 Rites, 28 Elated, Down: 1 Plan, 2 Prod, 3 Ape, 4 Result, 5 Steep, 6 Arrange, 7 Tremble, 10 Nowel, 13 Alexander, 14 Worries, 15 Settles, 17 Error, 19 Mince, 21 Real, 22 Rept, 23 Lead.



# NATHANIEL GUBBINS

**L**ORD SELBORNE'S Bill which seeks to legalise the issue of licences to newspapers and make them model their style on The Times has caused a lot of amusement in Fleet Street.

Even more amusement might be caused if The Times modelled itself on other newspapers.

They could start in a modest way with a couple of gentlemanly comic strips called "Mr Garth" and "Miss Jane." After all they always called that real-life horror-comic Stalin "Mr Stalin."

"Mr Garth," unlike Garth, the half-naked, muscle-bound fellow who is always rescuing half-naked girls from dire peril and leaving them broken-hearted, would be quietly and decently dressed wearing either an Old Etonian or Old Harrovian tie according to which school was favoured by the editor.

In the summer, when Mr Garth was cricket captain of England, he would appear in faultless flannels. In the winter, when he was flogger captain of England only his knees and forearms would be revealed to cause mild excitement among the well-brought-up, class-conscious girls who watched him saving his side every day.

"Miss Jane" as you might expect, would never be seen without a hat and a pair of gloves. She would be either in shirt and tie or in a suit and skirt.

At the end of the year, when the women's open golf championship was being held, she would be seen in her underwear, like Jane. She would be either in shirt and tie or in a suit and skirt.

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ancient readers The Times might chance their cautious arm a bit more.

Assuming that Mr Garth and Miss Jane proved popular The Times might then go flat out for a big circulation. A reformed form of chess would soon appear among the photographs, though I, for one, hope that it will go no further than the vital measurements of hunting doggers. Properly clothed, of course.

**'Lord Luck'**  
AND here is a sample of birthday predictions for those out of the top drawer of The Times joins the ranks of the popular Press.

**Capricorn:** Vivid, exciting experiences likely. Perhaps the vicar will come to tea.

**Aquarius:** Stop worrying. Your husband will never find out about the tiled brigadier.

**Pisces:** And you stop worrying too. Your wife will never find out about the tiled widow.

**Aries:** Good day to begin long distance travel. Your dressmaker is not likely to follow you to Tibet.

**Taurus:** Bad day for bishops. Hide behind The Times in the Aghemum until things blow over.

**Gemini:** Your Venus is dominant, but remember the tiled estate is engaged to a model in Kenya.

**Cancer:** Future prospects good but you won't be in the next Honours List. High ups remember something unsavoury linked with your past.

**Leo:** A brilliant evening if you are bold, adventurous. Fire that gardeners you can't afford and hunt your own slugs by torchlight.

**Virgo:** This may be your lucky year for the Honours List. Keep in with the right people and don't pour the telly.

**Libra:** And your doubts and fears dispelled this afternoon. If you have entered for the local flower show a duchess will award first prize for your giant marrow.

**Scorpio:** Patronise the rich and vulgar today. They may give you a winner or a Stock Exchange tip.

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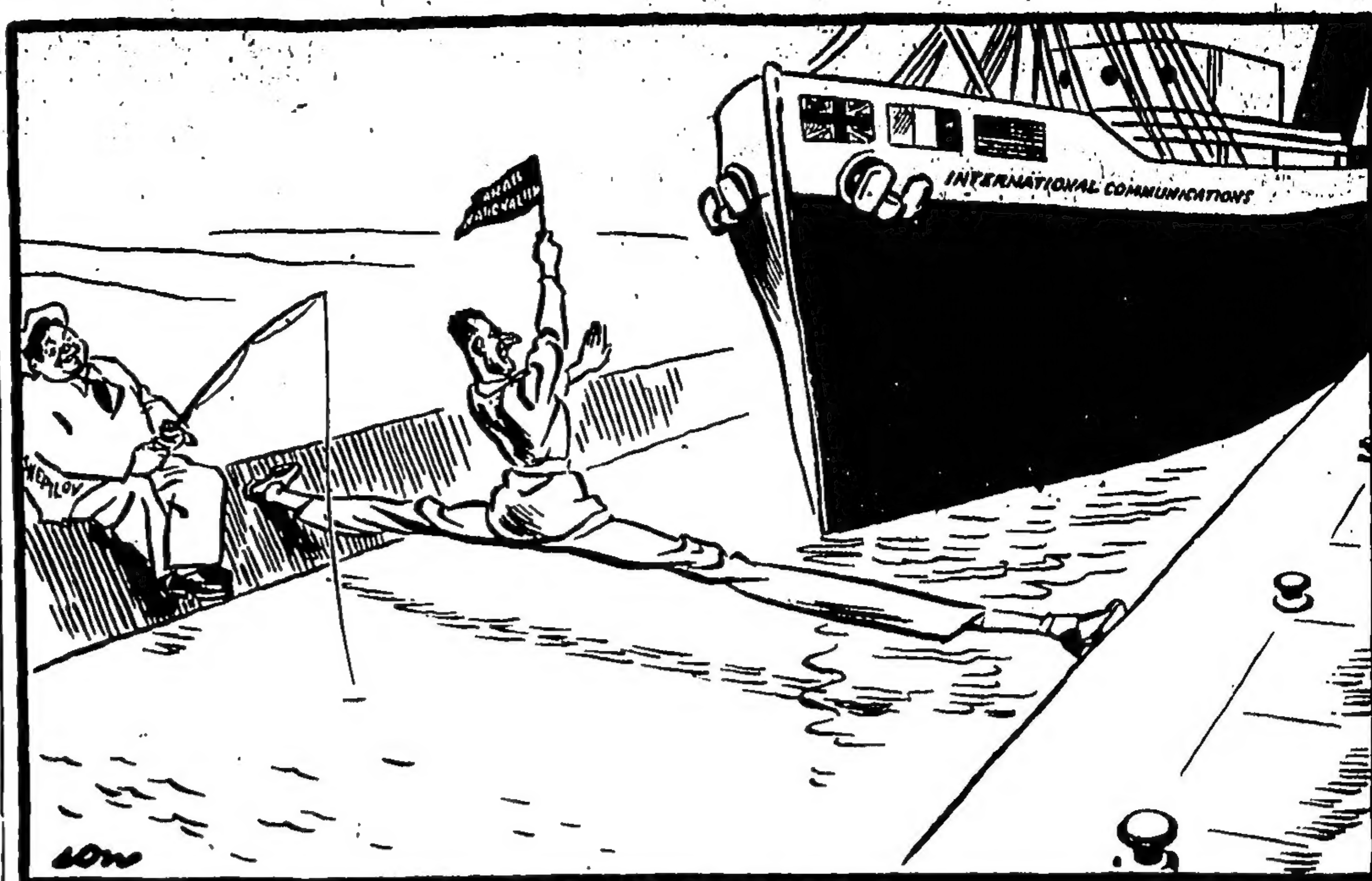
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## NOW! SEND TROOPS TO SMASH NASSER

By Hugh Fraser

TORY MP for STAFFORD and STONE

**L**ET there be no mistake about it. Britain is faced with a decision which will affect every Briton and his children and his children's children.

For mark this and know it to be true. If the Suez Canal and its oil route falls into Nasser's hands then the everyday life of Britain is in Nasser's hands too.

That one man in Cairo will decide whether our factory, our workshop, our office will be able to stay open next year. That one man in Cairo will decide whether our morning bus will keep on running. He will even decide whether we can take that week-end trip by car. At any moment he can cause catastrophe for Britain.

For Nasser will be able to decide at any time whether Britain is to go on getting the oil which keeps her alive.

He will hold the veto on our Empire's quick sea

route through the Suez which saves millions of man-hours and money for our food ships in peace and troopships in war. Astride the pathway of Empire will squat an arch and malevolent enemy.

But it is not all. Should we surrender to Nasser now neither the Colonial Office nor the Baghdad Pact will be able to arrest a wave of hysterical and triumphant anti-British nationalism which will endanger our oil resources throughout the Middle East, will impinge on Africa, could destroy our allies and our friends and can yet bring this country to her knees.

### WHAT NOW? Supreme test

It is true that for the present calamity we ourselves have a heavy responsibility.

I blame both the Socialists and the Tories.

**ABADAN.** That was the starting point. When we crawled away from Abadan, we were already on the way to this present humiliation. And that was the work of the Socialists.

Then came Suez. Never, never, never should we have withdrawn our men from Suez. Yet the Tory Government withdrew them. If there had been resolution then, there would not be tragedy now.

But this is no time for recrimination. That can wait. There is only one question facing us. What action are we going to take here and now?

Even more than at Munich this must be for Britain the moment of truth. The moment of irrevocable and final decision. These next few days must be a supreme test of our national will. For if we lose out to Nasser our Commonwealth and Empire will sink lower than Nineveh and Tyre.

### NEW CANAL Precious years

**A**T this late hour no protestations are enough. Action is demanded. If the whole loyal Commonwealth and France and the U.S.A. will act with us, so much the better. But if not we must act alone. That is our ineluctable destiny.

Already, we learn, the Government is taking tough steps to prevent Nasser drawing on his supplies of sterling. But do not let us for one moment suppose that a man like Nasser will be deterred by a few bold tags at his purse.

Then what else can we do? Certainly let us consider the idea of an alternative international canal, cutting up from Alaska on the east side of the Sinai peninsula, but even if accepted it would take 10 or 12

years to build. Those precious 12 years of the Suez Canal's life that Nasser would siphon from us.

Certainly let us concert with the Sudanese to free them from fear of Cairo by underwriting their currency and by offering them financial help for their own Nile dam. Certainly let us demand a new Nile water agreement and carry on our own construction in the Nile Valley and East Africa.

Certainly let us be prepared to turn off the tap against Egypt on the Nile.

Certainly let us consider other economic sanctions. Certainly let us see the balance of arms is restored between Israel and Egypt in Israel's favour.

Certainly let us speed our construction of giant tankers to by-pass Suez.

These are all excellent, long-term measures. But could anyone imagine that the threat of them would be sufficient to halt Nasser within, say, the next seven days?

No. We must face realities.

There is now only one sure way to rid Egypt and the world of Nasser. There is only one way to curb his defiance of international obligations, and that is by force.

The use, and not just the show, of force.

### FIGHTING? If necessary

**F**OR what on earth is the point of our base on Cyprus if it is not for an emergency like this?

But what exactly will force mean? An ultimatum? Yes. The declaration that—unless Nasser keeps his hands off the Canal—we will send in warships and occupy Suez with our troops? Yes.

Very likely this ultimatum will be sufficient. But if it isn't? What does force mean then? The reoccupation of Egyptian soil? If necessary—yes. Fighting and killing and destruction of the enemy? If necessary—yes. Hardship here by the temporary closing of the Canal? Yes.

Of course there will be danger for British people in Egypt. But will there be any danger in this action for Britain herself?

The risk is small compared with the danger that would accrue if we took no action. The danger of slow extinction of our national being.

This, then, it needs to be, is the calculated effort we may have to make to so-called world opinion. But will world opinion be so much against us?

For too long we have tolerated the creeping barrage of Nasser's aggression. He Hitlerite technique of vast demands, legal quibbles, and quick grabs. Now we have him in flagrant breach of solemn international agreement. Before now he has broken the international convention of 1888. Now he would destroy it completely by destroying the international which guarantees fair

international access to the Canal, the international company itself.

By this action Nasser not merely offends against article upon article in many treaties between 1888 and 1954, but he outrages the whole conception and spirit of a seaway internationally dedicated to the benefit of all mankind.

No, if we have to act alone it will be in defence of this conception. Will our friends be as they were at Abadan, critical and hostile?

They will not be.

### IN DEBT —to Russia

**H**OW can America object to the enforcement of the sanctity of international contract in the Middle East? How can Norway, or Spain, or Italy, object to the protection of their fleets through Suez? Will Baghdad object to humiliation of Cairo? Will Khartoum object to the containment of a tyrant?

Whatever their telegrams of greetings over the Canal's seizure, will Nasser's Arab allies have anything but terror of him if he gets away with defying the West unscathed?

And what of Russia? Will Russia move in to Nasser's support? She may, with arms and technicians. But if we do not act now Russia will move in with far greater force in the near future. For she will move into an inheritance of chaos and Communism without having fired a shot.

And what of Nasser himself? Is it not possible that he has over-reached himself? Is it not possible that he is strong only in words and in the cult of hysteria?

Is it not possible that he has moved from strength but from bankruptcy? Four hundred million pounds needed for Aswan; £70,000,000 promised in compensation to Canal shareholders; £100 million needed to expand the Canal basin; £50,000,000 promised to compensate the Sudan. Huge debts to Russia.

### NASSER Man of straw

**W**HAT fate can be left in this new paradise for the Egyptian peasant, except as a soldier glowering across the Israeli frontier, or as a slave on Nasser's folly at Aswan?

Is it not possible that this colonel who organised the retreat from Israel, who did not move against us while a single British private remained in the Canal Zone, is nothing but a man of straw?

This, then, is the sticking point. The political point of no return. The task of our Prime Minister's calculation and leadership is a heavy one. But Britain cannot and must not give way before this act of international brigandage. Least of all can a Tory Government go down to history as the Government who lost what Disraeli won.

But in his grim moment of resolve let not the Prime Minister fear. The whole nation will be behind him.

## DILEMMA IN THE NEWS SHOULD ARTHUR MILLER TELL ON FRIENDS?

by DAVID LEWIN

**T**HE dilemma facing Arthur Miller is an angry one which has split friendships and broken homes.

It is a dilemma which many Americans in Hollywood and in the New York theatre have had to face. For it is announced that Mr. Miller, playwright, author, and husband of Marilyn Monroe, has like many others been cited for contempt of Congress.

What this means is just this: If Mr. Miller cares to name the other writers who attended a Communist discussion meeting with him in 1947 he may go free. If he continues to refuse to "name names," then, on conviction for contempt, he can go to prison for up to one year.

So far Mr. Miller, on his appearances before the Un-American Activities Committee, has made his position quite clear. He said: "I will tell you anything about myself, but I cannot take responsibility for other human beings."

Yes, says Miller, I did associate with Communists, I did try to find out about Communism, and I am not ashamed of that. I am completely disillusioned about Communism now. "I had to go to hell to meet the devil," he said. That is as far as he will go—and no further.

But in America to purge yourself of the past sin of Communism you must name names, or face a prison sentence and a possible job boycott.

Miller knows this, for he has seen what has happened to people he knew, well. A firm friend of his was American director Elia Kazan, who staged Miller's play, "Death of a Salesman."

Kazan was brought before an Un-American Activities Committee. Kazan talked. He talked about himself, and he named others who had attended Communist meetings with him. Because he named names Kazan is now "in the clear." But he is no longer a friend of Arthur Miller.

There were others before Kazan. Hollywood director Edward Dmytryk and nine other film writers and producers and directors were sentenced because they refused to talk about their past and refused to list their associates.

The ten went to prison. At the end of his six months, Dmytryk, from his prison cell, issued a statement saying he had changed his mind. He decided to purge his contempt and talk.

He provided names and he was immediately cleared. Today he is one of the most successful film-makers in Hollywood.

But the other nine came out of prison to face a boycott in Hollywood. And not one of those nine will speak to Dmytryk today.

Arthur Miller knows all this. He knows too that in England and in France there are a score of writers and directors who, like him, have faced the threat of a prison sentence. These Americans in Europe decided they would not return home. Some of them no longer have passports.

Adrian Scott, a producer who went to prison rather than talk, lost his job—and his wife. His wife divorced him because of his beliefs.

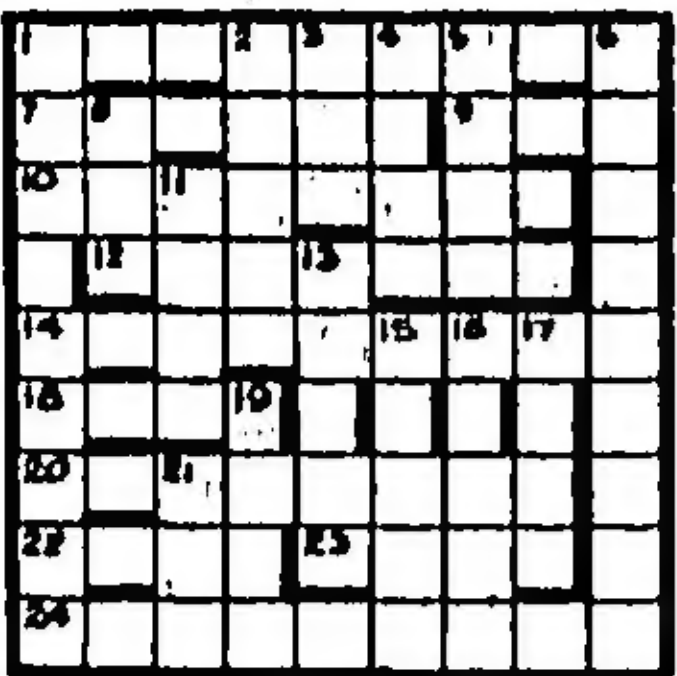
Arthur Miller is due to return to New York at the end of August for a few weeks to see his children. If he carries out his plan his passport may be cancelled immediately and he will face trial.

Or he may decide to give up his trip and stay with his wife until his film is completed in London in October. Then he would return with her.

Miller's friends



## CROSSWORD



- Across
1. Hard water: your complexion will be this (10)
  2. Not quite thither—not just the reverse (10)
  3. Healer without her (8)
  4. Strike a light! (8)
  5. Start of many a walk (7)
  6. My possum I make into an anagram (10)
  7. They provide a chilly delight for 40 Acromes (18)
  8. Bacon called them hostages to fortune (8)
  9. A prisoner (4)
  10. They're sure to find you out (4)
  11. Dangle Nat (anagram) (4-5)
- Down
1. Walker used to be (10)
  2. It's a blow (10)
  3. This is found at the edge (10)
  4. Lake of the ghost? (4)
  5. Do you pay for the tear? (4)
  6. Met aboard (10)
  7. Kind of dew for stiller weather (10)
  8. Youngster of the family (10)
  9. Goodnight lady (10)
  10. A caput (10)
  11. It travels by a slippery route (10)
  12. The lunatic (10)
  13. I'll have a hand at this (10)

## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

## Foes Can Read Declarer's Bid

By OSWALD JACOBY

WITH two bidtable suits of different length, the normal course is to bid the longer suit first. South followed this principle by bidding hearts first in today's hand. When South bid spades at his next turn with a hand of limited high-card strength, it became clear that he held a 6-5 two-suiter.

This kind of information is often important to a partner, but the opponents are also at liberty to make the most of it. West used the information in a very subtle way.

West opened the king of clubs and continued with the ace of clubs. Southuffed the second club, cashed the ace of spades, and gave a spade trick to West.

Put your hand in West's place. What would you do next? Decide for yourself before reading on. Did you lead a third club? It looks safe enough, but it isn't. South ruffs and leads his singleton diamond. You must take the

NORTH			
♠	J 8 6 5 3		
♥	7		
♦	K J 7		
♣	J 10 5		
WEST			
♠	K Q		
♥	4 2		
♦	A Q 8 5		
♣	A K 9 3		
EAST (D)			
♠	7		
♥	K 9 5		
♦	10 8 3 2		
♣	Q 8 6 4 2		
SOUTH			
♠	A 10 9 4 2		
♥	A Q J 10 7 3		
♦	7		
♣	7		
Both sides vul.			
East	South	West	North
Pass	1♥	Double	Pass
2♣	2♣	3♣	3♣
Pass	4♣	Pass	3♣
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead—♠K

ace of diamonds, but now you are stuck. If you lead a heart, South gets a free finesse. If you lead a diamond, South can reach dummy for a heart finesse. If you lead another club, dummy discards a heart, and South ruffs, after which a cross-ruff makes the hand easy.

The actual West player read the distribution from the bidding and could see all of this coming. He therefore cashed the ace of diamonds before leading the third round of clubs.

South ruffed, but now had to use his last trump to reach dummy for a heart finesse. The finesse succeeded, but South couldn't get to dummy to repeat the finesse. He had to give up one more trick, for a one-trick defeat.

## CARD GAME

Q—With both sides vulnerable, the bidding has been:

North East South West

1♥ 2♦ 3♦ 4♦

You, South, hold:

♠ A K J 7 5 4 3 2 ♠ A J 4 2 3

What do you do?

A—Bid two spades. You have too many hearts to double East, but not enough for a double raise in hearts. You intend to reach game in a major suit or in no-trump, depending on how North rebids.

## TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:

♠ A K J 7 5 4 3 2 ♠ A J 4 2 3

What do you do?

Answer: Two spades.

## BY THE WAY

## By Beachcomber

THERE are indications in the news that floodlit mouse-racing, with cheese at the winning post, is becoming a craze.

Already sinister men are prowling round the waistcoats with pockets full of black thread to tie the little creatures' feet together, and fragments of doped cheese have been found in more than one mouse. It might be a good idea to let the mice chase an electric cat. An article in *The Mouse World* says that Rover, owned by Mrs. Weisman and trained by Ted Gillick, has been bought by an American syndicate. It will eat nothing but Brie.

## Sensational disclosures

CROSS-EXAMINING Mr. Colehouse, Mr. Humphrey Goosebottle, for the defence, as opposed to the prosecution, asked whether the defendant had mentioned at the reception desk that he was a contortionist.

Colehouse: The reception desk did not ask me.

Cocklecarrot: Are you suggesting, Mr. Goosebottle, that there is a contortionist-bar in English hotels?

Goosebottle: Mind, with all respect, the management would have refused accommodation had they known that the defendant proposed to go to bed with his muddy boots on the pillow.

Mr. Tinklebury Snapdriver: He did not "propose" to do so. The action was spontaneous, unpremeditated, impulsive, capricious and non-volitional, and therefore the more reprehensible.

Cocklecarrot: You mean, I presume, the less reprehensible. After all, you are defending this man, are you not?

Snapdriver: No, mind, I am prosecuting counsel.

Cocklecarrot: Then I have got things all wrong.

## Wolverhampton's way

A PSYCHIATRIST has discovered that the astonishing intelligence of Wolverhampton children may be due to a radioactive product called strontium. From this it is a step to prove that atomic explosions will eventually produce a race of supermen. Experiments in schools will probably be confined, at first, to small atomic explosions, as a little radioactive fallout goes quite a long way. By the time UNESCO has collected and endorsed all the relevant and irrelevant hypotheses, the children may be conducting their own experiments with little bombs.

## Without comment

Traffic was frustrating, but we got 60 in second, and about 85 in top.

(A motorist.)

## TARGET

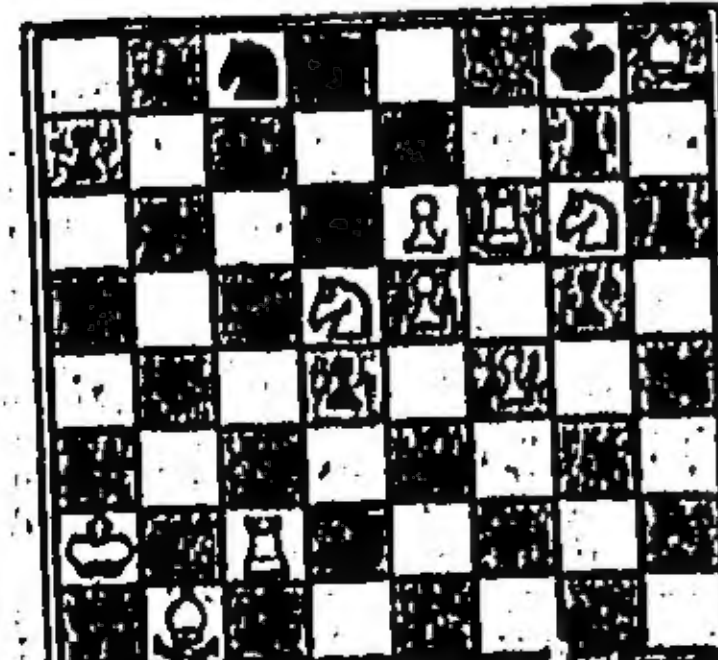
L	U	R
O	C	A
I	R	B

HOW many words of four letters or more can you make from the letters in the target? No plurals, no foreign words, no proper names. TODAY'S TARGET is words, good, 40 words, very good, 50 words, excellent, 60 words, excellent, 70 words, excellent, 80 words, excellent, 90 words, excellent, 100 words, excellent.

## CHESS PROBLEM

By E. VISSERMANN

Black, 7 pieces



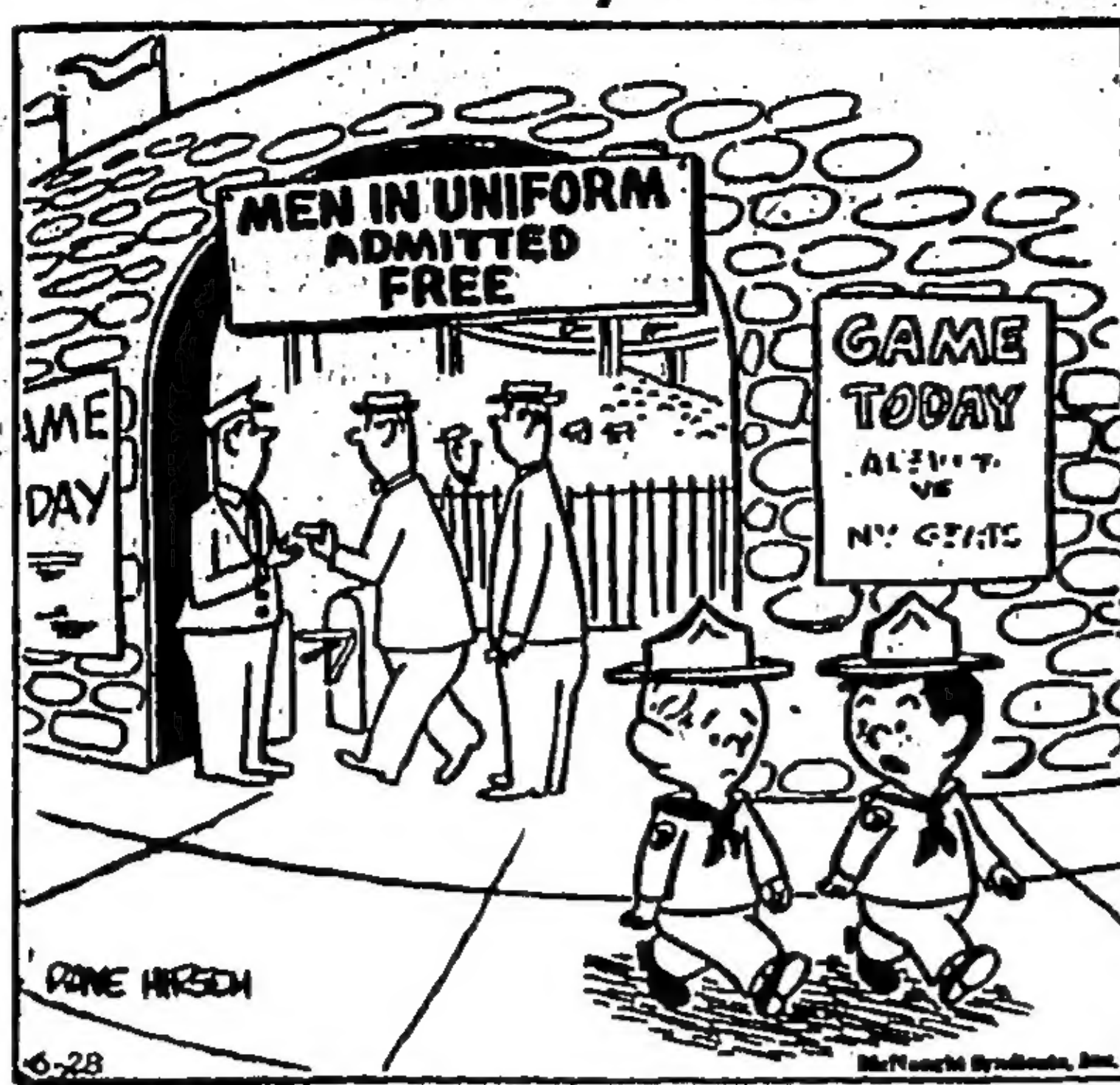
White, 10 pieces.

White to play; mate in three.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. K-Q6, any; 2. Kt (dis ch. or do ch.), or P mate.

## This Funny World



"Nothing ventured, nothing gained"

## YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8

BORN today, you take responsibility lightly and are able to turn out a tremendous amount of work in no time at all. Your cleverness and versatility make it easy for you to turn your hand to almost anything at a moment's notice. You are quite a disciplinarian, there is actually a touch of the military about you, and you will gear yourself to a schedule whether you feel like it or not. Of course, that is one of the best ways to reach an early success.

You have a keen imagination and are able to dramatise the ordinary events of life so that they appear glamorous, exciting and sometimes more interesting than they actually are. You probably would do well in fiction, advertising, publicity or promotion. You enjoy travelling and, since you have a talent for learning languages, you undoubtedly will find that the whole wide world is your oyster.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—An active day for business or travel. You might combine both to your mutual advantage.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—If your job involves travelling, such as selling on the road, this should be a fine day for your efforts.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—If this should be your vacation, you could anticipate an especially enjoyable time on your trip.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—A fine day for practically anything. Get a good decision on a legal matter involving your business.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23)—Make good progress on some major objective by taking care of important details conscientiously.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 24-Jan. 20)—You may negotiate a contract successfully now. Put your decision on whether it would pay off well.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—You may wish to take a trip to London.

is your home! If you wed, be sure to select someone who enjoys living out of a suitcase as much as you do!

Although highly idealistic and enjoying the beauty of the arts, you are a realist and know that having an artistic temperament can often be a considerable handicap. Your intuitions are keen, and if you obey their dictates rather than listening to outside advice, you will be right most of the time.

Among those born on this date are: Charles A. Dana, noted editor; Pauline Lord, actress; Major Gen. Nelson A. Miles, U.S. Army; James Bowdoin, merchant; and Marjorie Knudson Rawlings, novelist.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 9

prove your health! This might be a good day to start out on vacation, too.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Financial matters, involving a business, social or marital partnership are especially favoured at this time.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—This should prove to be a harmonious period for you within the family circle. Enjoy yourself pleasantly.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Show initiative and get some new ideas and plans into operation for beneficial results right away.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—You may be adventurous, especially by which it comes to romance. If you wish, stars are now in your favour.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Travel if you wish, but if you stay at home, make some improvement in the environment in which you are now living.

## WOMANSENSE

## WHAT'S NEW IN SALADS

By ALICE DENHOFF

OUR suggestion of stepping up salads with the interesting addition of pimiento-stuffed green olives went over well, judging from the requests for more recipes. Happy to oblige, our first new recipe is a shrimp salad that is perfect for a light but satisfying luncheon or supper.

To prepare 4 servings, combine 1 c. diced, cooked shrimp, 1/2 c. thinly sliced cucumber, 2 coarsely chopped, hard-cooked eggs and 1/2 c. quartered pimiento-stuffed green olives. Toss lightly.

Add 1 tsp. lemon juice, 2 tsp. French dressing, 1/2 c. mayonnaise. Mix thoroughly and chill. Serve with crisp salad greens.

## DELICIOUS

Here are two salads that are delicious to serve with meat, fish and poultry courses.

Cottage cheese salad mixtures can be very dull, but this one has a tangy flavour.

To prepare 4 servings, combine 2 c. creamed cottage cheese, 3 tsp. finely chopped onion and 1/2 c. sliced pimiento-stuffed green olives. Mix thoroughly and serve chilled with salad greens.

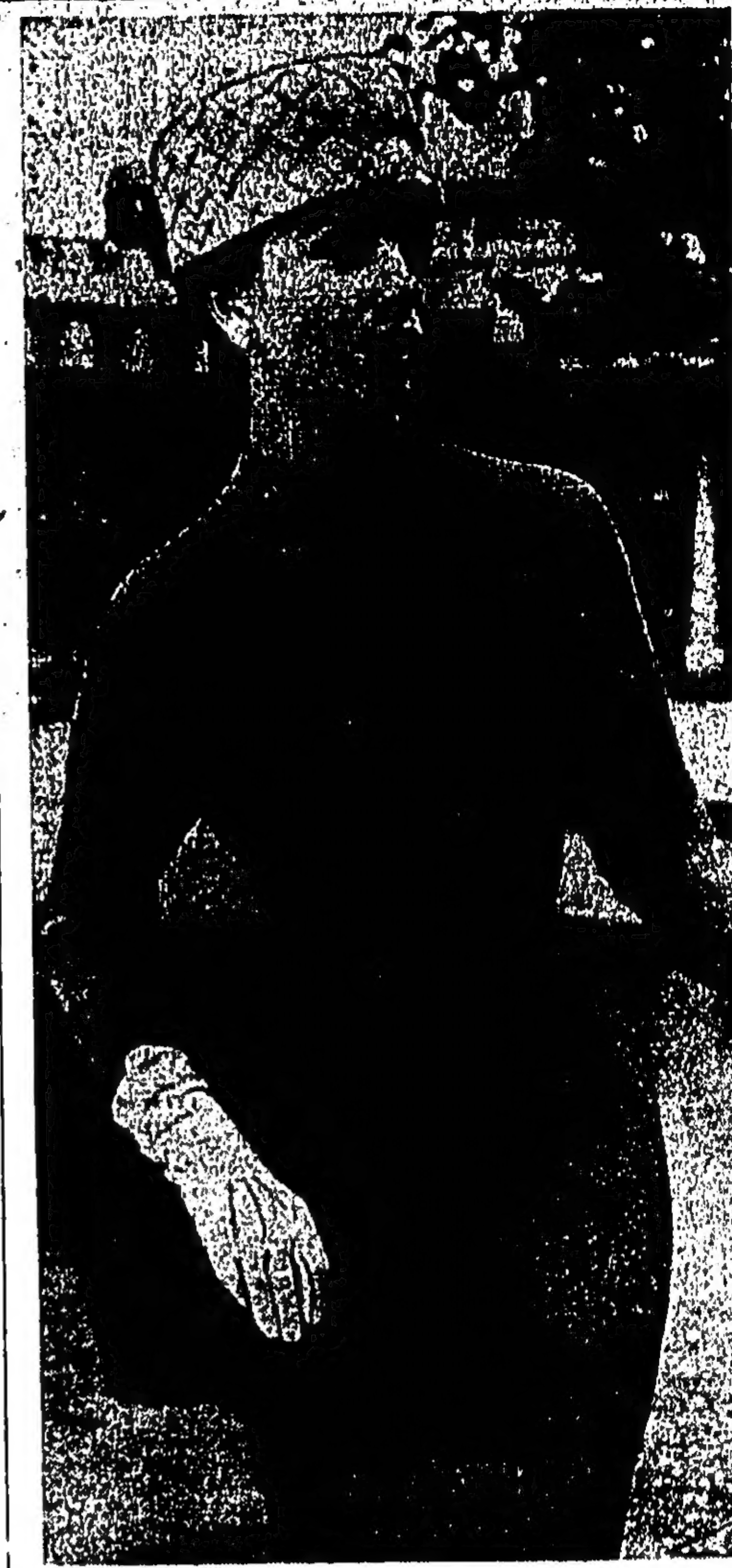
To add interest to plain cottage cheese, serve with chopped, sliced or whole pimiento-stuffed green olives, tomato wedges and watercress sprigs. It gives the bland cottage cheese a real lift.

## EXCELLENT SLAW

The other is an excellent slaw.

To serve 4-6, combine 1/2 c. vinegar, 1/3 c. sugar, 1 c. sour cream, 1/2 salt and dash of pepper. Stir until sugar is entirely dissolved.

Add cream mixture and 1/2 c. sliced pimiento-stuffed green olives to 6 c. finely shredded cabbage and mix thoroughly. Dust with paprika for both flavour and appearance.



## Autumn Preview

ITALIAN model Maria Scarfina wears for autumn a slim-fitting dress of double-knit jersey wool. With raglan sleeves, and a high "notched" neckline, it has a fitted waist and unusual pockets on the hips. The colour: Italian Pink, though it will also be available in wild rice, kingfisher and green. The cost: £6 6s.

It will be in sale in the shops next month.

The three-quarter length gloves are hand-stitched in a mixture of nylon and cotton (washable and requiring no ironing). They cost 18s. 11d. The plastic-calf clutch bag is in black, navy, red, tan, coral and pink—and also costs 18s. 11d.

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## HOUSEHOLD HINT

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## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

## The Biggest Shadow

—The Other Shadows Thought He Was In The Race—

By MAX TRELL

EVERY now and then, when the moon shone brightly and the clouds raced across the sky, all the shadows in the neighbourhood would meet together.

Knauf and Hanid, the shadows with the turned-about names, would meet with all the others.

The place where they met was under the old brick wall not far from the lamp post.

## Big And Small

Some of the shadows were boys and some were girls; some were big and others were small; some were thin and some were fat. But it didn't matter what their shapes were. They could make themselves any shape and any size they pleased.

They didn't play their games as games are usually played.

When they played hide-and-seek, they really hid and they weren't at all easy to seek.

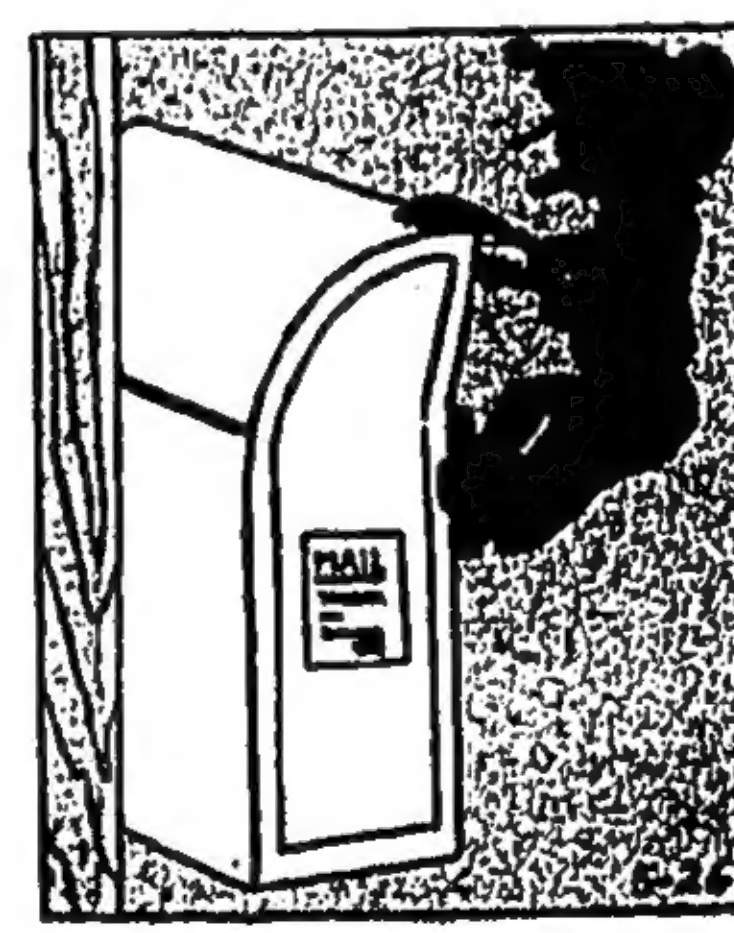
Knauf would make himself as small as a match stick and hide in the cracks in the sidewalk. Hanid would run up the side of the stoop where the great clock stood and hide behind one of its hands.

One night one of the little shadows named Lot squeezed himself inside a letter box and hid behind a stamp on one of the letters. He waited so long for someone to find him that he finally fell asleep. When he woke up he found himself in an aeroplane flying to the other side of the country. It took him a week to get back and the game was over long before he could say he had won it.

## Played Tag

When the shadows played tag, they played it differently, too.

They didn't run along the sidewalk—they sat. They curled up and down the walls of houses, dodged around chimneys, scrambled in and out of bushes, and ran along the tops of fences like cats.



One Shadow climbed into the mail box.

said to Knauf. "I'd climb up the wall and go to sleep with my legs stretched across the ceiling."

But Mary Jane, the Rag Doll, said: "If I were a shadow, I'd hide on a penny."

"On a penny?" said Hanid, the shadow girl. "Why?"

"Just think of the different places I'd go to—I'd go into slots for chewing gum. I'd go into candy stores. I'd go to little boys and little girls. I'd travel up and down the town."

But no one can be a shadow except a shadow.

Knauf and Hanid were lucky. They were shadows to begin with.

## Rupert and the Fire Bird—30



Hovering over the little group the fire bird breathed out a stream of flame, frightening them so much that Bill and Algy and Bingo turned and ran. Though they were not scared, but Rupert made his ground and stood to his amazement that all the other birds of all kinds are flying in from all directions and are circling round the newcomers in great excitement. By the time that Rupert returns the fire bird is sitting away in the middle of a rock who seems to be guarding it carefully.

ALL STORIES REVIEWS



# AUSTRALIAN CRICKETERS GAIN THEIR SECOND WIN OVER A COUNTY SIDE

Swansea, Aug. 7.

The Australian cricketers gained their second victory over a county side here today when they beat Glamorgan by an innings and eleven runs.

But Glamorgan made a fight of it. Wilf Wooller and Gilbert Parkhouse put on 108 in 100 minutes for the first wicket before Parkhouse, who hit two sixes and six fours, was out for 62. Wooller went soon after for 70 which included nine boundaries.

The Australians were held up again by the seventh pair John Presdee and Don Ward who put on 85 in 84 minutes. Presdee got a half century. There the resistance ended and Glamorgan, who had followed on 212 runs behind, were all out for 281. They had made 110 in their first innings in reply to the Australians 408 for four.

Jack Wilson, the left-arm slow bowler, was the most successful

in the Australian attack today. He took five for 88.

**UNEXPECTED RESISTANCE**  
It looked like being a quick victory when Glamorgan had lost six wickets for 207 at lunch today but Presdee and Ward provided unexpected resistance.

Johnson used all six bowlers without success and when it looked as though these two might make the Australians bat

again, Wilson trapped Ward, whose 32 was his highest for the county. The remaining wickets fell for the addition of only 16 runs.

Australian wicketkeeper Gil Langley damaged his left hand just before lunch and to avoid further damage he took no part in the game afterwards. It was stated that he would have to rest for a few days but no information could be given at this stage whether he would be available for the last Test at the Oval beginning on August 23.

Les Maddocks, Australian reserve wicketkeeper, was allowed to act as substitute for Langley at the suggestion of Wilf Wooller, the Glamorgan captain. Maddocks was not in the original team.

**Glamorgan Second Innings**  
W. Wooller, b Crawford 70  
W. G. Parkhouse, lbw b Archer 62  
B. Hedges, c Burge, b Wilson 10  
W. E. Jones, c Harvey, b Wilson 5  
L. Doveraux, b Wilson 5  
J. Presdee, lbw b Johnson 53  
B. Enrich, lbw b Lindwall 11  
D. Ward, lbw b Wilson 72  
H. G. Davies, c Harvey, b Wilson 12  
Wilson 12  
Extras 4

Total 281  
Wickets fell at: 108, 137, 155, 157, 171, 200, 265, 265, 269.

**Bowling**  
O M R W  
Lindwall 9 1 39 1  
Crawford 10 0 31 1  
Johnson 20 0 59 2  
Wilson 38 4 88 5  
Archie 10 4 15 1

**CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES**  
At Hove: Middlesex beat Sussex by eight wickets. Sussex 120 and 197. (Parker 50). Middlesex 271 for nine declared and 47 for two.—Reuter.

## THE SNAKE AND THE PETRIFIED RABBIT

By DESMOND HACKETT

Big Jim Laker has once again whipped the Aussies; Lakerised them, mesmerised them, put the sporting spell on them.

Once again Laker emerges as the cold killer. There is nothing spectacular about this gentle giant, Laker. But then the cold killers of sport are not flamboyant.

They move in coldly, these killers with the mesmerising power of a snake closing in on the petrified rabbit.

Before his historic "Laker Day" the record-makers were two other Yorkshiremen, Wilfred Rhodes and Hedley Verity. These two were possessed of the killer quality.

Rhodes went about the business of bowling with an air of contempt for his opponent. When one young batsman sought to congratulate Rhodes on the ball which had shattered his wicket, Rhodes replied brusquely: "Aye, but that ball was wasted on thee."

Verity was the smooth destroyer, unmovable by success or ill-luck.

The greats who stride unforgettably across the world of sport were all invested with the ability to compel fear into those who opposed them.

I have seen Stanley Matthews, the prince of wingers, reduce the greatest defenders in the world to club-footed fools. Matthews wrecked the defences with the minimum effort; a slight feint, a snake-like wiggle, and Matthews was gone.

When Ben Hogan brought his golfing genius to the Open Championship of 1952 the only talk among his rivals was—who will be second to Hogan? Hogan put a cold grasp on this title and, with never a smile breaking the poker-faced gravity of his tanned face, he went away champion because there was none who dared to challenge him. His was the air of a conqueror who has no knowledge of defeat.

**...UNAWARES**  
I have tried to draw from these sporting slayers the reason for their greatness. They are all alike, all unaware that they are super-humans.

And this brave company all possess the quality which makes men feel humble in their presence. What this quality is I do not know. It has never been clearly defined. Whatever it is this man Laker has it—and plus.

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## BACK TO THE "HALF"



At Oso, on July 30, Derek Johnson ran 800 Metres in 1 minute 47.7 seconds. Johnson started as a Quarter Miler, moved up to the Half Mile with success, then to the Mile with some more success but much disappointment at the discovery that the standard here was much too high for him despite his ability to clock 4:06.8 for the distance, tried the 440 Yards Hurdles with a good 53.7, then finally moved back to the Half Mile and discovered that, after all this trial and error, he was still an excellent Half Miler.

## Malcolm Stewart Not Eligible For The Games

By PAT REEKIE

Chase me up the Suez. This is a corker! Michael Stewart, England AMATEUR footballer, will not be allowed to play for Great Britain in the Olympic Games because he is a PROFESSIONAL. Yet he is still an AMATEUR!

What is more, he is a Corinthian-Casual amateur—and there is nothing more amateur than that in English Soccer.

He can still go on playing for England at Soccer as an amateur, but the dreadful fact that he is a cricket professional with Surrey—being unable to afford to play cricket 324 days a week for nothing—debars him from the Olympic Games.

It is there in the Olympic rules, but the rules are so silly that even the Football Association, who might be expected to have known better, slipped up. They wrote to Stewart a month ago asking if he would be available for Melbourne if selected.

**REFUSED**  
Stewart said he most certainly would, and turned down even more emphatically the professional Soccer offers that came to him from Chelsea, Charlton, Portsmouth, and Leyton Orient.

Says Stewart: "I am terribly disappointed. In spite of this, I have no intention of turning professional. I am quite happy working as an engineer and playing for the Corinthian-Casuals."

Such out-dated rules should be scrapped. They are crazy when it is remembered that FIFA, the International Soccer body, met in Stockholm in November 1954 to make a new definition of a Soccer amateur "with particular application to the Olympic Games."

This definition permitted the payment of wages lost to "players who take part in matches under the jurisdiction of their national association."



Cricketer Stewart is out according to the Olympic rules.

This rule in fact merely legalised what was known to be already taking place.

This is the second Soccer disappointment in less than four months for Stewart, who was capped for England against France last season.

In April he was flown back from a cricket tour in the West Indies to play for Corinthian-Casuals in the Amateur Cup Final replay against Bishop Auckland. But his plane was delayed, and he arrived at the ground five minutes after the kick-off.

## SPORTS ROUNDABOUT

### This Olympic Soccer Squabble Is So Silly

Causing a flap in sporting circles is £10,000. Football League club officials who met in Manchester to debate TV issues were outspoken in their criticism of the FA agreeing to such a large sum being spent on sending a team to the Melbourne Olympics.

Chief reason for their displeasure is the suggestion that a slice of the all-Manchester—United v. City—Charity Shield match receipts should be set aside for the Olympic Soccer Fund.

"Since when has the Olympic movement been a charitable institution?" they asked. The fact is Olympic funds are registered as a charity for tax exemption purposes.

Other branches of sport condemn the expenditure on the grounds that, having already been eliminated by Bulgaria, our footballers haven't a hope of winning at Melbourne.

What a non-sensical line of argument. If Britain's Olympic team was restricted to representatives with a winning chance we should have three at most in the ceremonial march on November 22.

#### YOUNG'S CHANCE

John Young will be making a big mistake if he throws over Rugby football for track sprinting. That's the opinion of Rugby Union experts, who feel the AAA Champion and Mosley footballer will lose the substance of an England cap by chasing the shadow of Olympic representation at Melbourne.

Joseph Mermans alias "Five Goals Jeff" is reckoned to have reached the discard stage as a Belgian international, but is regarded as a certain starter for Anderlecht when they entertain Manchester United in Brussels on Wednesday, September 12, for the first leg of their Europe Cup-tie.

At 34, Mermans is still the leading centre-forward on the sidelines in the Anderlecht team which has won the Belgian League title seven times in the past nine seasons.

Disappointment for Rotham is that Yorkshire Blacksmith Arthur Rowe prefers putting the weight in athletics to pitting his weight against attackers on the Soccer field. Rowe, a physical carbon copy of John Charles, had all the makings of a class full-back, but is making the 1960 Rome Olympics his target.

By signing Willie Millar, Accrington have secured a useful left winger from Gillingham and a single figure handicap golfer for Great Harwood G.C. Millar, a Scot from Aberdeen, is holder of the Professional Footballers' Golf title.

#### RAY ON TARGET

Marksmen I expect to see high in the list of Division II goal scorers is Ray Sealberton, 23-year-old Bristol Rovers' inside-forward, whose 34 Combination goals won him League team promotion at the back end of last season. Several

Division I clubs would like him on their books.

Our soccer slaves have been drawing two pay packets by taking on close-season jobs. Farming for fitness is becoming increasingly popular. Eddie Hunter, of Accrington, is the latest to make hay.

When Manchester-born Jack Mansell arrived home from South Africa he expected to be greeted by a week-old addition to the family. He had reckoned without modern air travel being speedier than the stork.

Scottish Champion Graham Everitt has been given the chance of further lowering his native Mile record of 4min. 7.5sec. by an invitation to oppose AAA Champion Ken Wood over the distance at a meeting sponsored by the Evening Chronicle in Manchester soon.

George Kelly, former Aberdeen inside-forward, was due to report to Stoke City the other week, but instead he was playing in the Scottish Tennis Championships.

It looks as if there is little chance of an early settlement of his differences with Stoke, who will be glad to arrange a transfer.

#### BACK WANTED

Still seeking a class full-back, Newcastle have arranged to attend a Scottish Division I game on the opening day of the season—August 11. I can only say the player under review was on Manchester United's wanted list last season but wasn't keen on making a move.

## THE REV. SHEPPARD FOR SOUTH AFRICAN TOUR?

By ALEX BANNISTER

I understand the Rev. David Sheppard will be invited to join the 16 chosen to tour South Africa this winter under skipper Peter May. South African cricket is stronger than for several decades and the MCC need the best available team.

Sheppard, a deacon at St Mary's Church, Islington, N.1, has made a triumphant return to international cricket with a century in the Fourth Test at Old Trafford.

He will most certainly be asked to play in the Fifth Test starting at the Oval on August 23, and England do not think any difficulties will be placed in his way.

"Naturally we would like David," former England captain Mr. F. R. Brown (the tour manager) said to me. "I think he could do a wonderful job for England both on and off the field."

Cricket's case for the temporary release of Sheppard from the church would be: "What finer representative could you have? What better example to youth?"

Should he be free to undertake the tour, Sheppard could be vice-captain to May. Meanwhile, the MCC selection committee are asking Doug Insole, the Essex captain, to reconsider his recent decision, on business grounds, not to go to South Africa.

#### WASHBROOK TOO

Another possible for the vice-captaincy is Cyril Washbrook, 41-year-old Lancashire captain.

"Cyril's help and advice has been invaluable to me in the two tests at Leeds and Manchester," Peter May told me.

With England's batting going through a transitional period, Washbrook's experience both in the current series and in a tour abroad could be a vital factor.

It is doubtful whether the MCC will send both Washbrook and Denis Compton, who has recently returned to first-class cricket after the winter operation for the removal of the right knee-cap.

Compton's disability is such that he would need careful nursing and resting to last out the long tour on the hard grounds of South Africa.

I feel Washbrook's greater fitness would get him the vote, but there is no reason why Denis, who is married to a hotel girl and is going to the Union in any case, this winter should not come to an agreement with the MCC to be available to England.

## There's A Steady Slump In The Sale Of Thoroughbreds Today

Says GEORGE CHANDLER

London, Aug. 6.

The increasing high cost of owning and training a racehorse in Great Britain is steadily causing a slump in the sale of thoroughbreds, and today both trainers and breeders are becoming perturbed at the situation.

The recent yearling sales at Newmarket, one of the poorest for several years, provided an outstanding example of the current situation.

A total of 115 yearlings were listed for sale, of which seven were withdrawn when they failed to reach the price expected by the breeders. Fifty were sold and the remaining 68 failed to draw a bid.

An aggregate of 26,345 guineas was paid for the 50 yearlings sold, which provided an average return of 526 sterling to the breeder, but these figures did not provide an accurate estimation as 8,000 guineas—approximately one-third of the aggregate—was paid for three yearlings. With these figures deducted it leaves the breeder with the small sum of 271 sterling for each yearling.

One breeder, after the conclusion of the Newmarket sales, bitterly commented: "Fifty horses for 26,345 guineas! yet only ten years ago one yearling was sold for that amount."

The breeder was referring to the sale of Gaytime in 1945, which was purchased for the Guinness of Boreas for 26,000 guineas—a record price in Great Britain for a yearling. As a result, Boreas, who won the 1947 Leger, 1948 Leger

and 1949 Leger, was sold for 26,000 guineas.

"One cannot but be alarmed that some stallions, mares and yearlings that might have done so much for the thoroughbred in this country are finding their way in large numbers across the Atlantic. Somehow we must find a way of retaining these horses in this country."

This opinion was voiced by Lord Derby, one of Britain's biggest racehorse owners and President of the Thoroughbred Breeders' Association, who told members:

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## THE GAMBOLS



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It is surely a clear indication of the times to hear that the Annual General Meeting of the Army (Hongkong) Football Association will be held at the NAAFI Club, Chatham Road, tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 p.m.

A very full agenda has been drawn up for the meeting but main interest will be equally divided between the arrangements for the domestic intra-unit competitions within the Army itself, and the proposals for the Army representative sides which are so important to the Services-Civilian relationships in the community.

A strong and successful Army football team is the greatest public relations asset our Force can have, and it is a fact that not only the thousands of enthusiastic Chinese fans, but also the Chinese press, are eager to see a powerful eleven wearing the Army colours.

It is sometimes difficult for non-soccer folks to realise the important place football holds in the lives of the people of this complex community and it is a great pity that the people who doubt the authenticity of this statement cannot be present at the various functions when such things are discussed and when the desirability of a successful Army soccer team is emphasised by the various civic celebrities who attend.

#### A HEAVY DEMAND

The calls of the Army teams certainly make a heavy demand on units and may occasionally mean a temporary depletion of unit strength in an inter-unit match, yet I believe it is a most significant fact that units who gave unstinted support to the Army side were among the chief trophy collectors last season. The heaviest demands were undoubtedly made on 24 Field Engineer Regiment, Royal Engineers, yet the Sappers went on to secure a magnificent success in bringing the Caldbeck Cup back to Hongkong.

The winners of the Major Units League title, 1 Bn North Staffordshire Regiment, the winners of the Minor Units Championship, Command Workshops, REME, were always ready to make their players available whenever they were required for Army duty.

The training facilities available for selected Army players together with the top class opposition they have to meet in League games usually result in a general overall improvement in a player's performance and this, in the long run, of the greatest benefit to unit sides. I think 24 Field Engineers have proved the truth of this claim by their Caldbeck Cup successes.

In this column last week I mentioned that there was a feeling abroad that the use of the titles "Major" and "Minor" in respect of the various inter-unit competitions should be discontinued and some more suitable name substituted.

I also mentioned that there were advocates for a system which would allow the more powerful "minor" units to compete in the "Major" tournaments if they were strong enough and if they so desired. It will be interesting to hear if these matters are in fact presented to the AGM.

#### ABOUT THE PITCHES

While on the subject of soccer it is probably timely to say a word or two about the pitches on which Army football will be played in the coming months.

Recently I have had a chance to look at some of the grounds. I can promise our soccerists that Sookunpoo is in beautiful condition and they will certainly find a great improvement in the field at Gun Club Barracks where only a quick look is needed to see that the condition of the playing surface is now far superior to that of recent years.

The Boundary Street ground suffered badly during the early summer through its irregular use at night by the local population in the area, but it has now made a good recovery and should be in excellent trim when the kick-off whistle blows.

The new Garrison Ground at Sek Kong will prove a great boon to the units in the area and generally the pitches in the New Territories will be in much

#### ENGLAND WINS

Reykjavik, Iceland, Aug. 7. England beat Iceland 3-2 in an amateur international football match here tonight. Half time score 1-1. — Reuter.

## U.S. Protest Against Olympic Pledge By Competitors

Melbourne, Aug. 7. The United States Olympic Committee has protested against the pledge to be taken by competitors in the Olympic Games, according to Mr. Lyman Bingham, Executive Director of the United States Olympic Committee.

The International Olympic Committee recently ruled that all Olympic competitors must swear that they are "intend to remain" amateurs.

Mr. Bingham, who has arrived here to view Melbourne's preparations for the 1956 Olympic Games which begin in November, said many of the United States team had been chosen before the pledge was announced by the IOC.

"We think this unfair," he said. "There is no crime in becoming professional after the Games. Professionalism is regarded as an honorable livelihood in our country."

"What is wrong is a professional trying to pose as an amateur to take part in the Games," he declared. — Reuter.

#### GREAT AIRLIFT

New York, Aug. 7. The United States Olympic team and officials, numbering 428 in all, will be flown to Melbourne for the Games in seven chartered airliners, the United States Olympic Committee announced today.

The first aircraft will leave Los Angeles on November 4 with subsequent parties leaving at intervals until November 11, the committee said. The team will return home between December 6 and 11. — China Mail Special.

## America's Most Versatile Woman Swimmer Sets New Record

Detroit, Aug. 7. Miss Shelley Mann, America's most versatile woman swimmer, today set a new American national 100 Metres Free-Style record of one minute 4.6 seconds to lead the early qualifiers in the United States Olympic trials at the Broomfield Pool here.

The 18-year-old swimmer from Washington clipped five tenths of a second off the previous American record.

Miss Mann made the new national record during the heats. The fastest eight swimmers in the 100 Metres (qualified for tomorrow's final). The first six in the final will be selected for the Olympic squad, either for the 100 Metres or the 4 x 100 Metres relay. — Reuter.

#### RUSSIAN RECORD

Paris, Aug. 7. Lev Balandine of Moscow today won the 100 Metres Free Style swimming event in 57.6 seconds in the Soviet Spartakiade at the new Lujniki Pool near Moscow, Tass news agency reported.

Second in the 100 Metres Free Style final was Vitaly Sorokin of Leningrad, in the same time as Balandine.

Tass said this performance was the best set up in the Soviet Union in a 50 metres pool. — France-Press.

## Major League Baseball

New York, Aug. 7. Scores in Major League baseball games today were:

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	R	H	E
Chicago	1	8	0
Milwaukee	0	12	1
Brosnan, Mayer (7), Grabowsky (8) and Chitt, Spahn (11-0) and Crandall, LP-Brosnan (3-0). HR-Spahn (2nd).			

(First Game)			
	R	H	E
Philadelphia	4	9	2
New York	3	9	1
Haddix, Miller (9), Lopez, Gomez, Littlefield (2), Riddle (5), Wilhelm (8) and Sarni, Westrum (9). WP-Haddix (10-3). LP-Wilhelm (2-7). HR-Sarni (7th).			

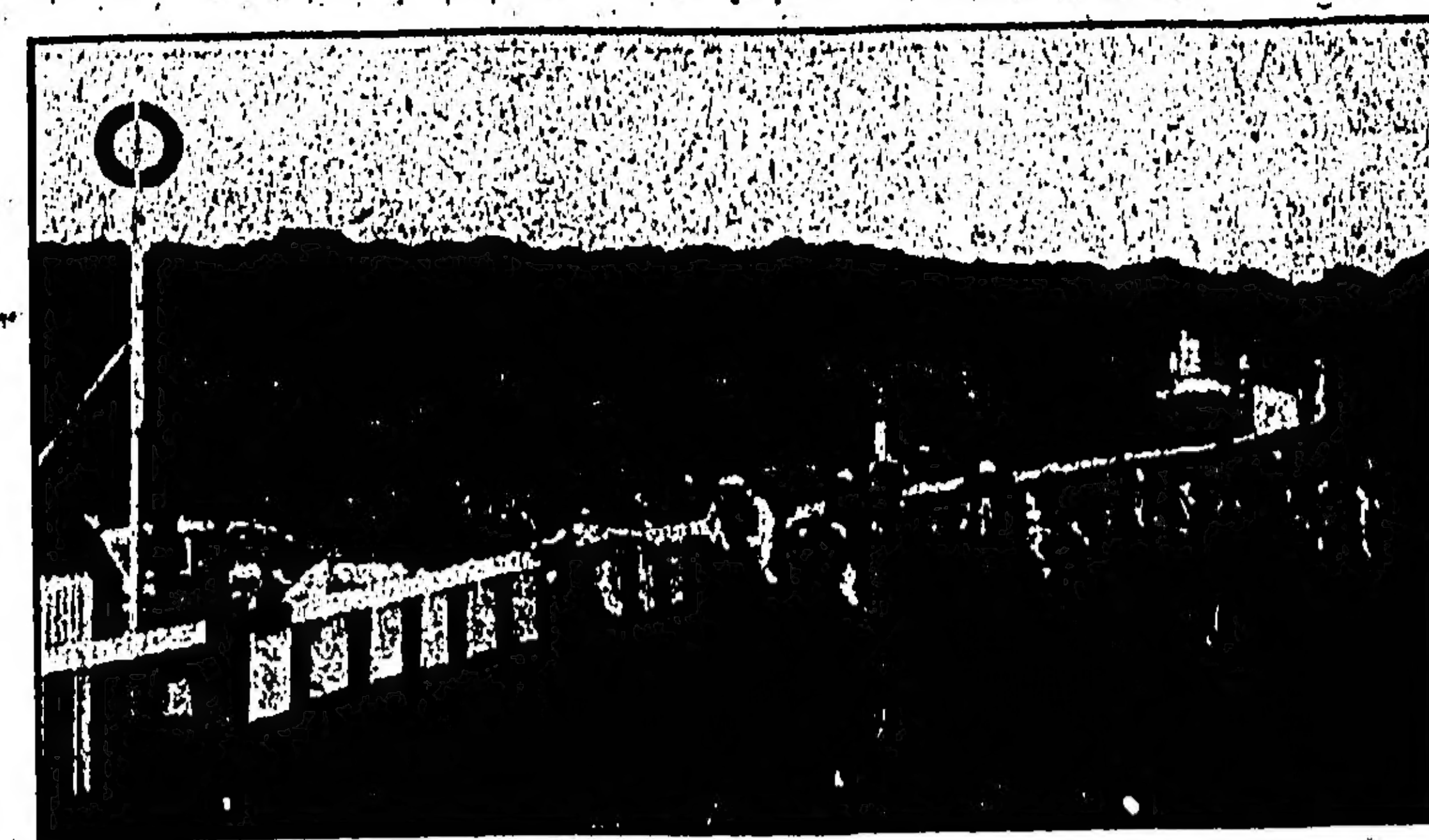
#### AMERICAN LEAGUE (11 Innings)

	R	H	E
New York	0	7	2
Boston	1	4	2
Larsen, Byrne (11) and Ferris, Nixon (9-4) and White, LP-Larsen (6-3).			

	R	H	E
Cleveland	5	12	2
Detroit	2	11	1

Garcia (6-11) and Naragon, Hogan (9), Lacy, Gromek (7), Miller (9) and House, LP-Lacy (10-12). HR-Ward (4th), Naragon (8th), Boone (18th). — United Press.

## MATADOR'S RECORD WIN IN STEWARDS' CUP



Glorious Goodwood, and a record win in the Stewards' Cup for Mr Stanhope Joel's Matador, ridden by E. Smith (left). The colt, which was bought only recently from the executors of the late Mr J. B. Ferguson, scored a neck victory over Mr J. S. Gerber's Epaulette, with W. Snaith up (in blinkers, centre). Running into third place just behind the leading pair is Mr A. C. Cockburn's Cockrillah, with Rae Johnstone in the saddle. The Queen watched the race. — Reuter photo.

## HERE'S A MOTION PICTURE ON WHAT THE HYDROGEN BOMB TENSIONS CAN DO TO ONE MAN

By ROBERT BROWN

From the only country to experience the destructive power of an atomic weapon comes a motion picture about what hydrogen bomb tensions can do to one man.

The Japanese "I Live In Fear" is a plea for a solution to the atomic weapon problem.

Akira Kurosawa, the director who put "Rashomon" and "Seven Samurai" on the screen, has cast Toshiro Mifune, his best character actor in both of those films, in the lead in the new film. Mifune plays a wealthy Japanese who wants to take his family to live in Brazil because he fears they are in imminent danger of H-bomb destruction if they remain in Japan.

Kurosawa says the movie is not a political attack. "The studio," he said, "claims it is only an honest appeal that will help the world understand the Japanese dread of atomic wars."

"Although there is a large, dark shadow of uneasiness in everyone's mind, most of us have turned our eyes away from it because it is too big and too terrible. And this is where we show our human weakness and foolishness."

#### BECOMES INSANE

His picture is a plea for some reassurance for those people who have the courage to look this threat squarely in the face. His hero does this. But because there is no reassurance, the fear of impending doom drives him to insanity.

Mifune plays Kirichi Nakajima, the owner of a small iron foundry. When he gets the idea of fleeing to Brazil and wants to sell the foundry to pay for the trip, his family goes to court to have him declared mentally incompetent.

A decrepit, broken man, he sets fire to the foundry and burns it down because, to him, it had become a symbol of something which was his but over which he had no control.

Standing in the ruins of his destroyed plant, he kneels and shrieks "Now we can all go to Brazil!" But his employees berate him for destroying their means of livelihood. Now everyone, family and employees are against him.

And society is against him as well. For his arson, he is sentenced to an institution for the criminally insane.

One day, in the asylum, while a friend visits him, he sees the red, glowing sun begin to set in the mountains to the west and screams:

"It's burning! It's burning! The earth is on fire at last, actually happy, in his insanity, believing the world is on fire and his prophecy has been proven correct."

With their most lavish picture to date, the Japanese have come up with an exciting treatment of a gripping subject which should come as something of a revelation to the Western world. "I Live In Fear" is a Japanese "Quo Vadis," dealing with the martyrdom of 17th century Christians in Japan.

Spectacular scenes such as an amphitheatre with several acres of crosses on which Christians are crucified and burned high-light the half-million-dollar picture—highest cost of any Japanese film—which took over a year to make with a cast of over 20,000.

In the leading role of a Jesuit missionary priest, Father Christopher Ferrer, director Minoru Shibuya has cast veteran character actor Osamu Takizawa.

#### FROM A NOVEL

The picture also introduces 18-year-old Hitomi Nazo, acting sensation in Japan who is predicted to be one of the bright young international stars of the future.

The story of "Christ In Bronze" is taken from the popular novel of the same name by Yoshino Nagayo. It tells the story of the 17th century persecution of Christians by the Tokugawa Shogunate, the military rulers of Japan. These Christians felt that Christianity was weakening Japan and that this was part of a plan for conquest by some foreign power. To prevent this "weakening," they attempt to rid the country of its Christians by subjecting them to all manner of painful Oriental tortures and crucifixion.

As the story unfolds, Father Ferrer himself is subjected to an ordeal which weakens him to the point where he betrays his followers. Here is where the bronze Christ comes in.

The identity of the Christians is a secret. Under torture, however, Father Ferrer reveals that a bronze plaque is cast bearing the figure of Christ on the Cross, and persons suspected of being Christians are told to walk on it, the disbelievers will refuse and instead pick the tablet up and kiss it.

#### TORTURE SCENES

Such a plaque is cast, the suspects are put to this test and the ones who are so revealed as Christians are persecuted with fury.

Although the Japanese have remained true to their formula of setting their most spectacular pictures in medieval times, with this picture they have chosen a story which is of universal appeal in contrast to the Japanese fairy tales they have been prone to film in the past.

The torture scenes are harsh and unusually detailed. The crucifixion and burning scene is spectacular to say the least. The film has many sub-plots and intricate plot twists.

Although it has stirred some controversy since it was first shown last October, Father Joseph Rogendorf, a member of the National Catholic Committee in Japan, wrote:

"I personally do not think that the story of a priest's breakdown under horrible torture and his subsequent moral disintegration should scandalize the average movie-goer or prompt rash judgments on the clergy in general."

Director Shibuya was careful not to identify the priest with any particular religious faith but he clothed his story in a costume, supposedly of the

## Robert Robinson's Showtalk

# JUNE IS PLAYING HAVOC...

June Havoc, a jolly, romping girl of 36 who looks like a jolly, romping girl of 18, gives me three reasons why she has kept her figure.

"Hysteria, insomnia and tight-waddiness."

"Hysteria's wonderful for the figure. I get so hysterical I break windows and tear sheets."

"My insomnia keeps the flesh down, too, and being so mean, I stay away from luxury."

Shooting whimsical metaphors right and left, Miss Havoc (star of 28 films and 30 plays) tells me that for her the world is divided into fur-people and skin-people.

"Humans are skin-people, animals are fur-people. Of the humans I prefer men."

"I prefer ugly men, or funny-looking men, or shaggy men. Shaggy men have beautiful characters. And men over 65—"

"Being the sister of Gypsy Rose Lee hasn't helped a bit. I'm not that kind of performer at all."

"Mind you, Gypsy is a perfect lady and looks it. Diana Dora says the secret of her success is 'looking available.' Gypsy gets hers by looking unavailable."

DIANA AT 40?

"Humans are skin-people, animals are fur-people. Of the humans I prefer men."

"I knew Marilyn years ago when I was a star and she wasn't. I think she's wonderful."

"When she was just a bit-player, someone at the studio said to me: 'What's come over Marilyn?' She's suddenly gone stuck-up. She doesn't talk to people any more."

"Brother, as soon as I heard that I predicted she'd be a star."

June's tight-waddiness has other advantages besides helping to keep her weight down. It stood her in good stead in the gambling city of Las Vegas, where one night her friends Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz lost 18,000 dollars.

"I wouldn't gamble, so the management gave me money to gamble with. I lost it all. Then the management asked me to stand next to any customer who was winning heavily."

"I just stood next to 'em and they'd lose the lot! Jinx Havoc," they call me. The only thing I ever won was a roll of linoleum in a lottery."

Not quite true. In a larger lottery she won talent, beauty and good humour.

Which will do to go on with.

#### EQUESTRIAN EVENTS

## No Prosecution For Cruelty To Animals

Stockholm, Aug. 7.

The Stockholm public prosecutor said today he would not prosecute the organisers of the recent Olympic equestrian contests here for cruelty to animals.

Prosecution had been urged by the Swedish societies for the prevention of cruelty to animals after the Swedish horse flier broke his thigh on one of the jumps and had to be destroyed.

Other horses were injured in the race and the societies said the obstacles — particularly obstacle 22, a wide ditch — were too difficult and that the riders had used cruel methods in forcing the horses on.

The public prosecutor decided that the obstacles were not too difficult, that the riders used normal means and that flier was out of condition. — China Mail Special.



well, I just love men over 65. I think they're apple-tart!

"At home I have eight fur-people—live dogs and three cats. All middle-aged, pot-bellied and opinionated."

Being neither pot-bellied nor opinionated, Miss Havoc has stayed at the top of American show business for 34 years.

"I started as Daisy June at two, I had to register the name in case anyone swiped it."

I wondered who would want to swipe Daisy June, but Miss Havoc went on to discuss her sister.

#### SCHOOLGIRL TO STAR

Keiko will be in India for about three months. Except for the pictures she made for Shochiku studios in Hawaii and Hongkong, it will be her first picture-making experience away from home.

A resident of Yokohama where her father is a local tax official, Keiko Kishi broke into films a mere five years ago. She explains it this way:

"I had wanted to be an actress and I came to the studio to watch one day just before graduation from high school. The director wanted a girl in school uniform. He glanced and saw me. Then he picked me for the part."

As is the custom in Japan, Keiko received no money for that film, but it did give her something—stardom.

Today she has a list of some 30 starring roles behind her in over 40 pictures.

Keiko is one of the more "westernised" of the Japanese film stars. She owns two cars and enjoys dancing, night clubs and sports. She prefers one of her 40 Chinese dresses or 30 western outfits to her kimono.

"The western clothes are so much easier to wear," she explained.

She also prefers western food and sleeps in an American style bed instead of on the traditional Japanese tatami—United Press.

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# RUSSIAN FILM TO PROVE STALIN WAS WRONG

Moscow, Aug. 7.

The full tragedy of Germany's 1941 invasion of Russia is being re-enacted in a brilliant new Soviet film to show that Stalin was wrong when claiming that the Red Army countered Hitler's attack with a campaign of "active defence."

"Immortal Garrison," a story of the invasion of Byelorussia by German troops on June 22, 1941, which is now being screened throughout the Soviet Union, proves that Russia was woefully unprepared for the Nazi onslaught.

For the first time, an attempt has been made to tell the real truth about the last summer days on Russia's Western front when German bombs rained down and Hitler's troops began their march to find barely any opposition in their way.

## New Version

This is a new version of the story for the Russians. Under Stalin, the idea was spread that the Red Army was ready for the attack and that its initial campaign was waged as "active defence."

Since the Kremlin launched its drive against Stalin's "personality cult," it has been decided that the late Soviet leader failed to take the necessary defensive measures.

An important Soviet Army magazine revealed that the Soviet Army had to retreat at the end of the entire summer and autumn of 1941, winning difficult defensive battles against an enemy possessing superiority in manpower and equipment.

"Immortal Garrison" never mentions Stalin by name but it shows dramatically how badly the Red Army suffered because of this lack of preparation. The film begins shortly before the German attack. The sun is shining, children are playing in the streets of Brest, a border town on the Soviet-Polish frontier just 440 yards from the German lines.

The local commander prepares to go on leave. Nothing could be more peaceful. The Army division based on Brest is in camp far from town. "It's surprisingly quiet," someone says, looking out towards the German lines.

## At Peace

"Our garrison is not a good fortress," says another. But no-one seems to worry. Stalin had signed a non-aggression pact with Hitler, and there is a sense of security in the air.

At 4 a.m. on June 22, the soldiers of the garrison are in bed. Brest is at peace. Suddenly, the Stukas appear from beyond the frontier. In two hours, the town is almost razed to the ground. The attack is merciless.

The cameras range over the blazing rubble. The dead are seen strewn around the barracks.

Still, there are people who do not take it seriously. A woman looks out of the window and sees the soldiers firing their sub-machine guns. "These are only manoeuvres. Soon we will have tea," she says.

A soldier says: "This is a provocation by the fascists." "No," says the commander. "This is not a provocation. This is war." "Where is our division?" asks a woman. The division is in camp, at least a day's journey from Brest. By the time it can move, the Brest garrison is completely cut off.

Mr Molotov's voice is heard on the radio, announcing the "perfidious invasion." By that time there has been hand-to-hand fighting in the streets, the German tanks have started rumbling towards Brest.

## Hold Out

For two days short of a month, the beleaguered garrison holds out. The women and children, unable to endure without water, surrender under a white flag.

Still, the garrison resists, until only one man is left, the hero, Major Ivan Baturin. Four years later, he emerges from a German prison camp.

Caught unawares, the Red Army elsewhere is unable to come to the aid of the garrison. At no time in the film is there any sign of outside help or of the "active defence" of which Stalin boasted.

Making of the film shows the preparations for the current campaign against Stalin started at least a year ago, when "Immortal Garrison" was commissioned and the scenario written by an outstanding Soviet playwright, Konstantin Simonov. Shooting of the film began last June, and it was completed in December.

The public attack on Stalin, however, was not launched until Mr Nikita Khrushchev, Communist Party Secretary,

spoke about the misdeeds of the late dictator at the Party Congress in February.

Stalin's shortcomings as a military leader formed a key point of Mr Khrushchev's attack. This was followed in April by an article in the Army magazine Military Herald which said that Stalin's "personality cult" led to overlooking up shortcomings in a number of operations conducted by Soviet troops.

Military Herald said that the German attack in 1951 "could by no means be regarded as sudden by the supreme administration of the country which at that time was entirely concentrated in the hands of J. V. Stalin."

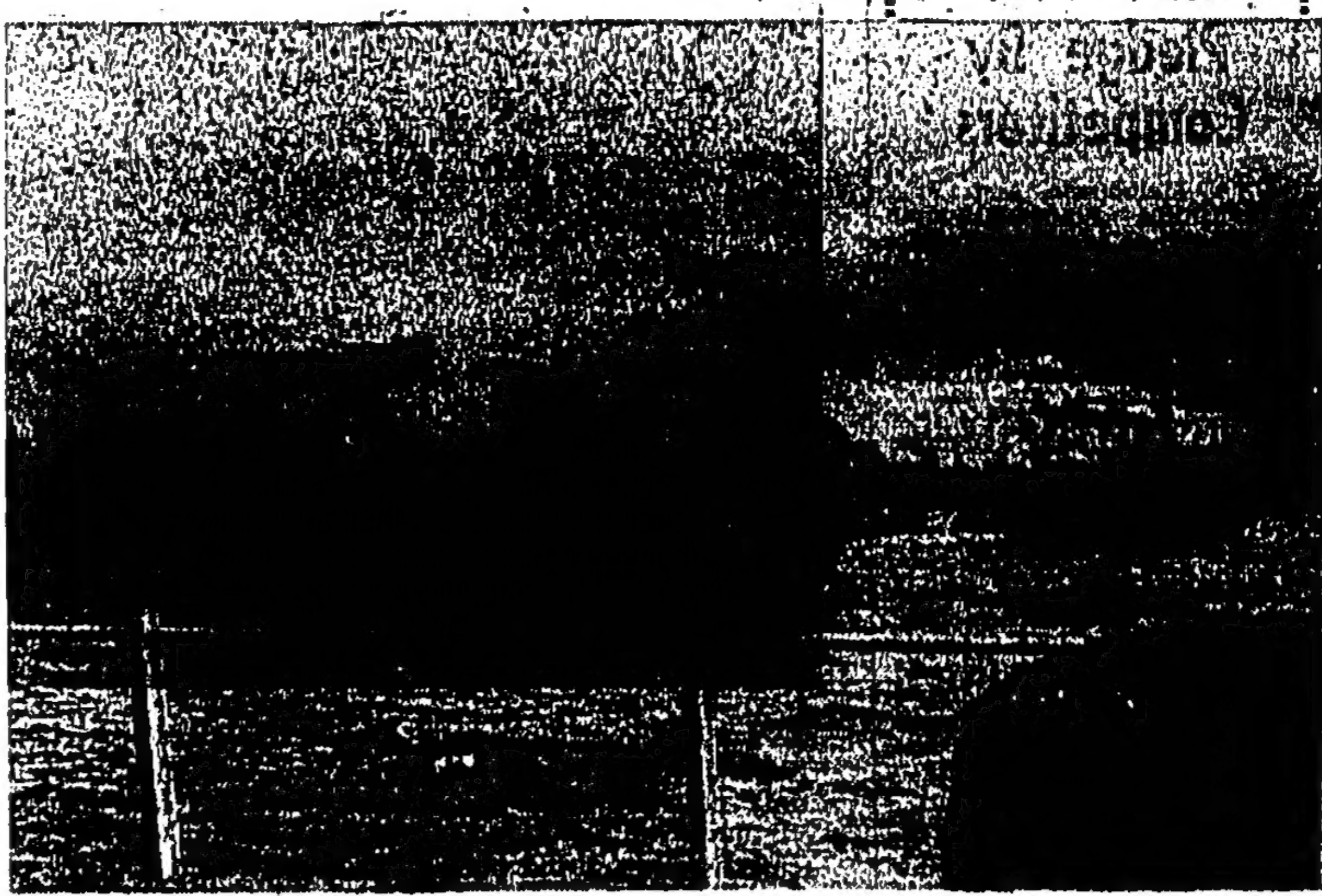
"The fact is that despite all obvious signs that aggression was being prepared, the necessary measures of preparedness to avoid surprise were not taken."

Shortly afterwards, the Military Herald statement was sharply criticised by the Army newspaper Red Star, which said that it expressed "utterly wrong and harmful views" about the state of Red Army preparedness.

## New Books

There is still no explanation for the discordant views on this subject expressed by the two publications, both of which are issued by the Soviet Defence Ministry.

Further revelations about the early days of the war are now expected. Military historians have been instructed to prepare new history books eliminating the faults of historians prepared in Stalin's time which are said to have "glossed over" the difficulties faced by the Red Army.—China Mail Special.



## Search For Headhunters

Auckland, Aug. 7.

A party of New Zealanders will look for head-hunting pygmies in the remote interior of Venezuela next year.

One of the leaders, Mr F. W. Bradley, an anthropology student at Auckland University College, said that the expedition hoped to find a new route through the Venezuelan jungle to Manaus in Brazil.

"Ninety per cent of the areas we will visit have never been explored," he said.

The party will study the culture, customs and religions of jungle-dwelling Indians in Venezuela, Brazil, Peru and British Guiana.

The nine members will each contribute £500 towards the trip which is unsupported. The expedition will leave in December and January.—China Mail Special.

One of two Egyptian destroyers awaiting sailing orders at Portsmouth is the Al Quaher (The Victor), once the Royal Navy destroyer HMS Myngs. The vessel is one of three out of war surplus stock sold to Egypt by the British Government.—Express Photo.

## Cosmic Ray Chart Of The World

Washington, Aug. 7.  
The National Geographic Society announced plans today for a Swedish ship to sail early in September from Göteborg to Capetown to begin making a cosmic ray chart of the world.

The voyage of the Swedish vessel, MS Lommaren, carrying specially constructed recorders that "listen" to space, will be the first in a long-range programme to measure at sea, on different ships and routes, the mysterious atomic particles that constantly bombard the earth.—China Mail Special.

Melbourne, Aug. 7.  
The Royal Australian Air Force Canteen Service plans to install television sets in canteens as part of its "comforts" for Air Force personnel.

The Service operates 54 co-operative stores, where airmen and their wives can buy goods at standard price whenever they are serving.—China Mail Special.

## Koreans Guard Truce Line

Melbourne, Aug. 7.  
South Korean soldiers could hold the United Nations Korean truce line, according to the former Commander-in-Chief of the British Commonwealth forces in Korea, Lieut.-General R. Bierwirth.

General Bierwirth, back in Australia after relinquishing his command, said that only a token force of about 2,000 troops of the First British Commonwealth Division remained on the truce line.

The Australians, seventy signallers, would remain indefinitely.—China Mail Special.

# Canadian-German Relations Much Better

Soest, West Germany, Aug. 7.

Now that Canadian troops serving in West Germany have their wives and families living with them there are fewer reports that the men are kicking over the traces when off duty.

It is not that the men of the 2nd Canadian Infantry Brigade have suddenly become timid or turned teetotal.

In the case of married men the change has come about through the influence of their wives. Single men are affected because now there are no all night parties for them and a Southern Rhodesian who formerly served in the French Foreign Legion and has become Secretary of their Club has a method of dealing with complaints "without resort to higher authority."

Part of each man's pay is withheld, leaving less to be spent on alcohol. It is paid out when the soldiers go away on leave.

## NOT HEALTHY

Penalties for causing disturbances are severe. "Our detention camp is not a healthy place," said the officer.

Another strong incentive to good behaviour is that most men regard a posting to Germany as very favourable and do not want to be sent home before their two-year term is over.

Apart from these measures aimed at disciplining the men, other steps of a more positive kind have been taken to foster German-Canadian good relations.

An example is to be found in the little village of Balve, where half-timbered houses, nestle amid rolling hills about 20 miles west of here.

Here about 75 Canadian families, from the 4th Royal Canadian Horse Artillery, and from Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, all living in German houses, have founded their Families Club.

## FOUND A FRIEND

The club has run several joint German-Canadian events and its co-chairman Bombardier Donald Reville of Sault Ste Marie, says: "Before we invited the Germans they seemed reserved when we talked to them. Now they are opening their hearts more."

The club has found a friend in the police chief of Balve, Herr Foerster. Nowadays when a Canadian soldier in Balve takes too much drink, or falls out with his landlady, the police do not immediately go to his unit and complain, nor does a highly-coloured report appear in the local newspaper.

## DIEN BIEN PHU

Instead Herr Foerster calls in the secretary of the Families Club, Mr Derrick Geach, aged 29, a Southern Rhodesian veteran of the French Foreign Legion who works as a civilian clerk with the Canadian Army and hopes soon to join the Canadian Army itself.

Mr Geach, who fought at Dien Bien Phu and married the sister of a German legationnaire whom he wooed by post, has the full confidence of both sides. He solves most kinds of trouble at village level, with the full approval of his unit commander, Colonel T. R. Gemmell.

"At first," Mr Geach said, "the Germans were sceptical, but then they discovered that we were sincere and that it was a means of their getting satisfaction to problems without resorting to higher authority."

An event which received a particularly favourable German press was a German-Canadian ball run by the 1st Battalion, Royal Canadian Regiment, commanded by Lieut-Col T. R. McCoy of London and Hamilton, Ontario.

## HESITANT

The guests included German high-school girls, who came on the understanding that they were to be taken home together by bus.

Dr Jean Martin of Montreal, Supervisor of Canadian Schools in Germany, on another occasion enlisted the square dance as an aid to understanding. This was believed to be the first occasion on which girls in Bavarian costumes—although bought in Westphalia—performed the square dance given so heartily at first.—China Mail Special.

## Typhoon Relief

London, Aug. 8.  
Six working teams dispatched by China's State Council left Peking yesterday for the typhoon-stricken areas in Fukien, Chekiang, Anhwei and Kiangsu provinces to help in the relief work, reported the New China News Agency this morning.—Reuters.

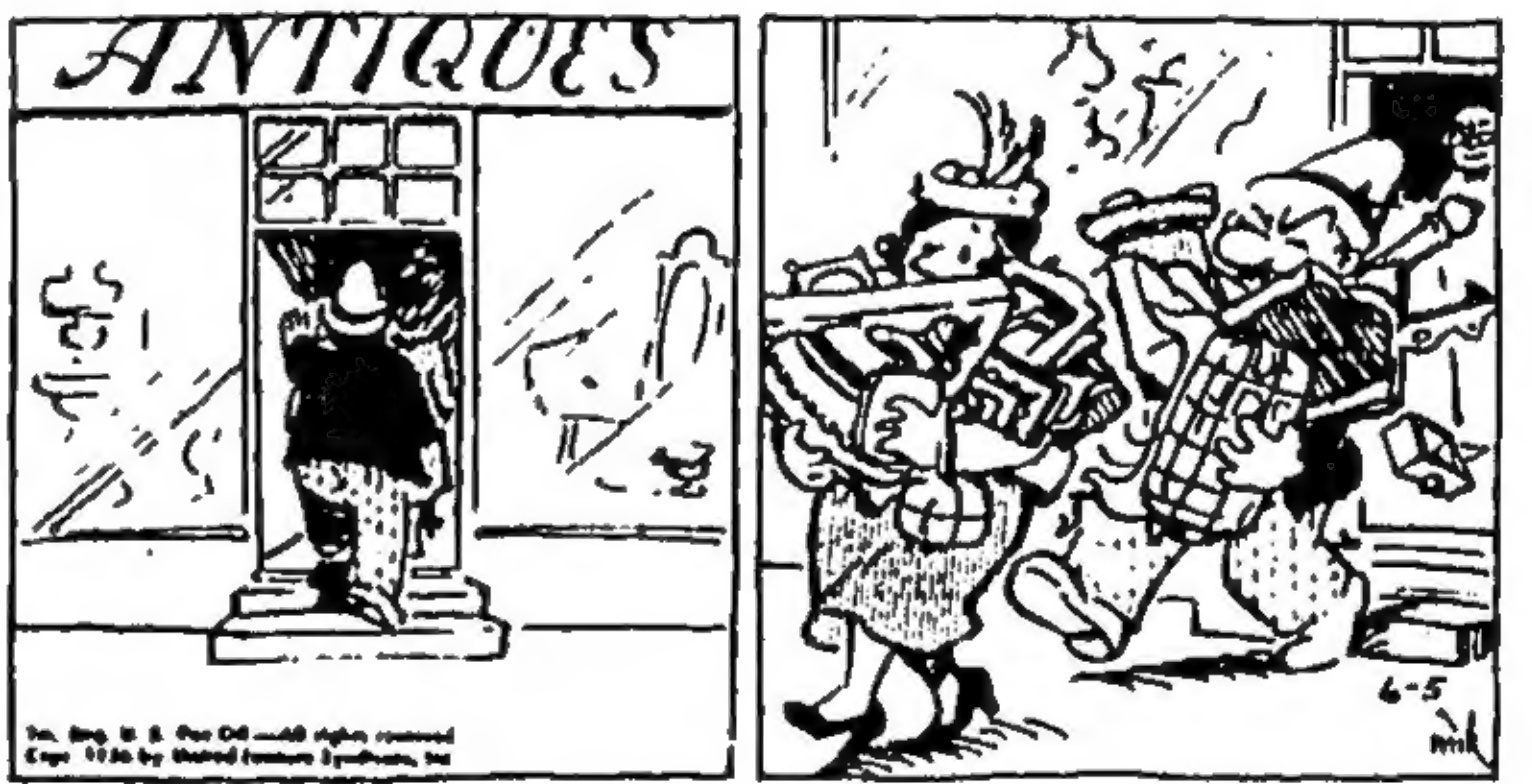
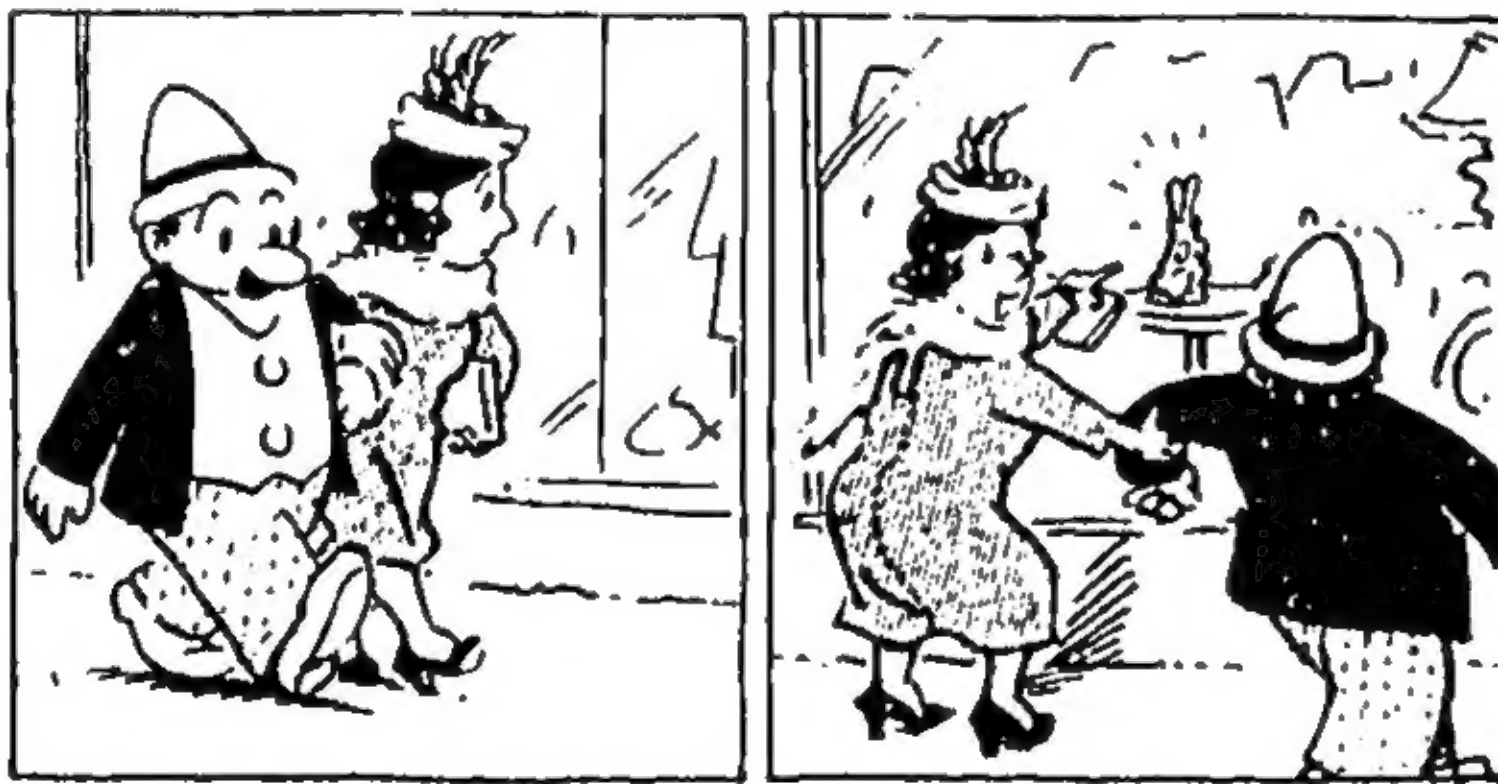
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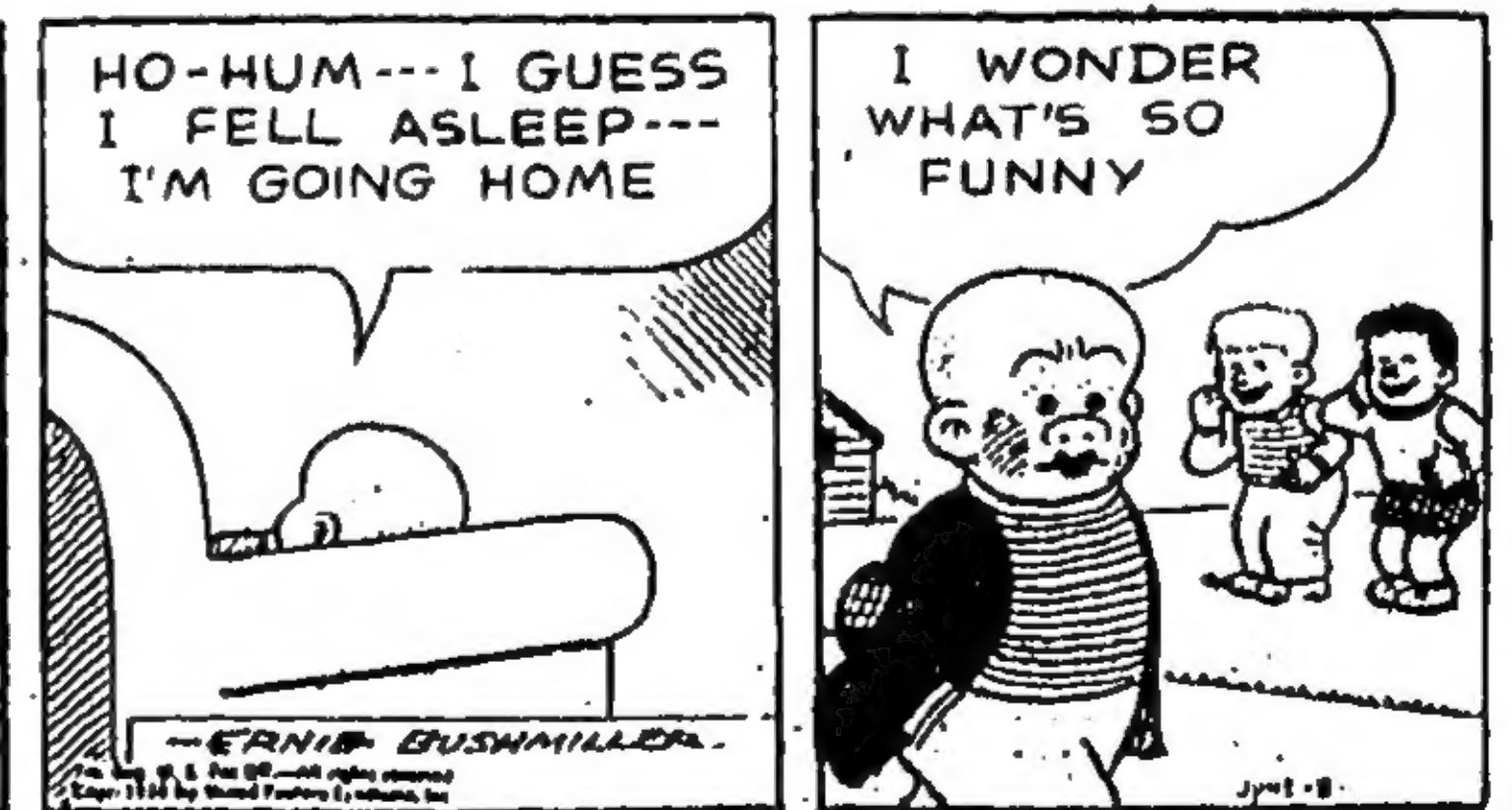
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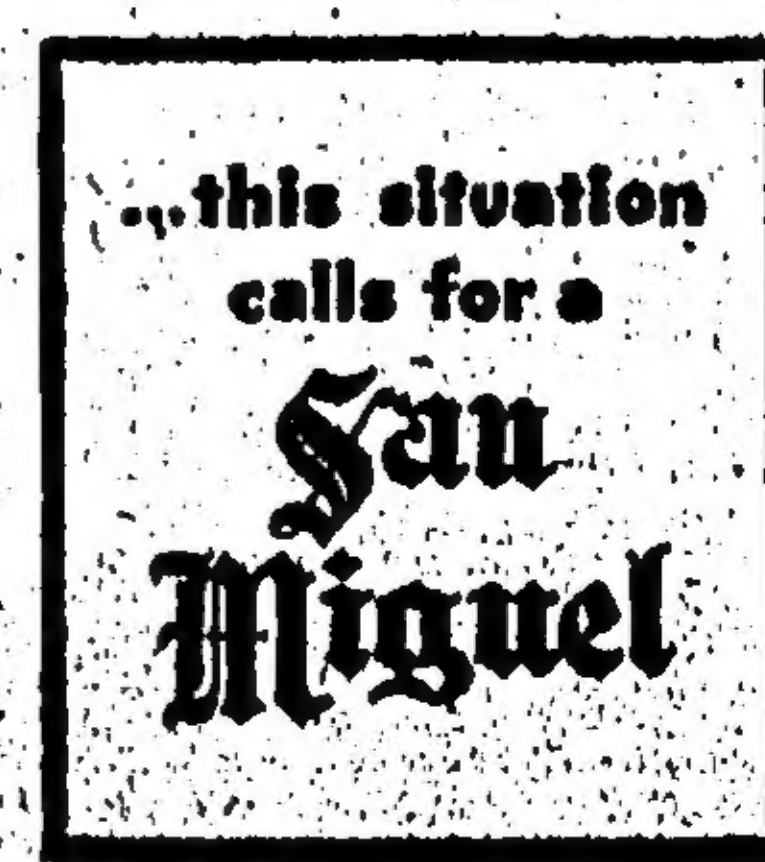
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# Int'l Conference On Industrial Property Protection

American Smelling .....  
Am. Sugar Ref. ....  
American Tel. & Tel. ....  
American Tob. "B" .....  
Anacosta Copper .....  
Armco Steel .....

99	U.S. Steel	68 1/2	Chem. Steel, fell 10 points to 314	Lead 1st half Nov.	110
98	Water Bros.	7 1/2	and several others, including	Lead 2nd half Nov.	109 1/2
97	Westhouse Electric	90	International Nickel, were down	Zinc 1st half Nov.	97 1/2
96	Wool, Felt & Paper	40 1/2	5 or 6 points.—United Press.	Zinc 2nd half Nov.	97
95	Woolworth	48 1/2			

—United Press.

price of one inch middling cotton at 14 designated spot markets was 32.93 cents. Sales totalled 12,392 bales.—United Press.

Watson . . .	10.90	
L. Crow. . .	29.20	29 1/2
<b>INVESTMENTS</b>		
Yamutaze . . .	6.70	5000 st

<b>London Foreign Exchange</b>		Flaxseed	
		Oct. ....	320
		Dec. ....	298
		May .....	300
		Wheat, No. 3, 181½ cents; No. 141½ cents.—United Press.	

## Singapore Stock Market

Oct.	100
Dec.	100
May	100
Oct.	100
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lehem Steel fell 10 points to 3 and several others, including International Nickel, were down 5 or 6 points.—United Press.

Lead	1st	half	Aug.	110
Lead	1st	half	Nov.	118 1/2
Zinc	1st	half	Aug.	97 1/2
Zinc	1st	half	Nov.	90

—United Press

The spokesman said his party was taking this stance common with others using Gutierrez Canal.—Reuter.

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**JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK**

## Rosemary's Facade

ON paper, suburbs and small towns appear to be run by men. It is of course a fiction, engineered, preserved, but not really believed by men. The people who really run small communities are women who look like Rosemary — bustling, busy, matrons who dress brightly after a fashion of their own devising, and while appearing innocent of any such thing, influence almost dictate every action that affects the common good.

So Rosemary looked, when she came to Bow Street the other day.

**MENTOR, EXAMPLE**  
SUE was a grey suit, and a cherry-colored straw hat. She wore her years, which are 72, as if they had been only 50. Seeing her you would have said she had always remained her life in a constant state of youth, or when lesser people stumble and now as of an age to act as mentor to others who desired to do the same.

She was the kind to whom others fly for advice, whom others quote as an example. So she looked. The reality was different. For behind her tranquil, authoritative exterior, Rosemary had troubles in plenty. At Bow Street she was charged with shopping.

**NOTHING KNOWN?**  
BEFORE, Sir Laurence Dunn, Rosemary pleaded guilty to stealing £3 8s 6d worth of oddments from a store. It seemed a strange case, but the counts, head of many such Rosemarys, no doubt, would be able to explain her odd behaviour.

"There's nothing known about her, I suppose," Sir Laurence Dunn remarked when he heard the story of Rosemary's theft. The inquiry was found. Nothing, surely, would be known to the police about Rosemary.

**DOMESTIC TROUBLE**  
BUT something was. "There are two previous convictions," said the official in charge of the case. They were both for shoplifting — one in 1927, one a year later.

"She lives with her husband, Sir," the policeman said, and named a suburb. "She has a married daughter, and from what they say, the trouble is towards Rosemary's father-in-law. There has been domestic trouble during the last few weeks."

**I'VE FOUND OUT**  
ALL these things Rosemary had kept decently from public view the chance of the two convictions, the domestic

## Anglo-French Command Likely

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"There will, of course, be a Franco-British-American plan for the internationalisation of the canal," he continued. But they had never proposed to adopt a take-it-or-leave-it attitude. "Any of the participant nations will be free to make proposals on the subject of the conference and to discuss ways of internationalising the canal."

**Nato Meeting**  
The spokesman added that he thought the London conference would be held even if the Egyptian Government refused to be represented at it. Earlier today, the Foreign Ministry spokesman disclosed the North Atlantic permanent council held a special meeting yesterday to discuss the Suez question.

The spokesman told a questioner that the British, French and American delegates to Nato explained their respective views on the Suez canal, and stressed the need for close co-operation between the three powers.

Neither a Nato spokesman nor members of the three delegations would comment on yesterday's meeting — Reuters.

## OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

# More Recriminations Over Preparations For The Olympics

FROM H. KING WOOD

Sydney, Aug. 2.

Many Australians will be glad when the 1956 Olympic Games to be held in Melbourne in November, are over and the competitors and officials return to their respective countries.

Ever since Australia was given the task of promoting the Games, there have been snarls, protests and complaints from many parts of the world.

These were stilled for a time following the visit of the president of the international committee, Mr Avery Brundage, who made a thorough inspection, and expressed satisfaction at what had been achieved.

Later, journalists from the United States, visited Melbourne and left a home convinced that the Australian authorities had everything well in hand. But there has been another eruption, following criticism by the International Olympic Committee in Lausanne, Switzerland. The Lausanne critics followed recent attacks by the Australian Organising Committee concerning a new ruling under which the guest of honour who opens the Games — it will be the Duke of Edinburgh — will not be welcomed in the centre of the Olympic stadium, but at the entrance.

Work on the station has been progressing for five months under an agreement between the Australian and United Kingdom Governments. The desert observatory is near the remote Hawlinson Range, Western Australia, about 400 miles west-south-west of Alice Springs. Mr Fairhall said the main purpose of the station was to help forecast conditions suitable for the scheduled tests. However, it would also help fill in one of the big gaps in Australia's network of meteorological stations.

Mr Wainwright said the station could be expanded. Mr Cramer said investigations would be made into the advisability of sending Australian CMF units to New Guinea for special jungle training.

### THORN REMOVED

The New South Wales Labour Government has at last rid itself of the Commissioner for Railways, Mr Reg Winsor.

For some years now, Mr Winsor has been a thorn in the flesh of the government and his clashes with the ministers for Transport have been unedifying and unnecessary. Late last year Mr Winsor declared that the tunnel on the South Coast, was unsafe Mr Wetherill, after consulting railway engineers, concluded it was.

When he was away ill, the Government appointed a comparative junior official to the position of deputy commissioner. Mr Winsor was furious and when he returned to duty, completely ignored his deputy, whose record in certain fields of usefulness had been outstanding. Mr Winsor's administration of the service has not been particularly pleasing, for more money has been lost without the satisfaction of knowing the service has improved. (Rather the reverse). A point religiously ignored by Mr Winsor.

### PUBLIC ANGERED

Repeated breakdowns, with the public treated like school children and told nothing, has angered the public and press. One week Mr Winsor told his officers: "Tell the public everything. We must have their confidence."

The next week "Tell 'em nothing," and when two of his officers did, they were suspended. When he took over the job on a contract for seven years, he agreed to retire when 65, even though his contract had not expired. Mr Winsor, on reaching 65, gave no indication of retiring, so the government informed him they would bring in a special bill to displace him.

Anyhow, Mr Winsor realised that he was in a tight position, for if the bill was passed, he would not be paid compensation for the unexpired period of his contract, so he handed in his resignation, though not before he was promised a sum of £15,000 in addition to his superannuation of £16 a week. Earlier in his career, Mr Winsor gave grand service, but his critics say he had lost his grip of matters in recent years and was too impressed by his own importance.

The State Transport Services are now being studied by an American firm, Ebasco Services. Its report and recommendations should make interesting reading.

**STORM KILLS 70**  
Teheran, Aug. 8.  
A violent storm which has swept the Abadan region of Iran for the last two days caused the deaths of 70 people, it was reported in Abadan on Tuesday night. The inhabitants of villages in the region have taken refuge in mosques. The latest deaths bring the total number of victims following the storms and flooding during the last 15 days to 500. —France-Press.

**KNOCKED DOWN BY TRAM**  
A nine-year-old Chinese boy sustained serious injuries when he was knocked down by a tram in Lockhart Road, near Percival Street, at 2.45 p.m., yesterday. The boy, Chan Kam-ming, of 488, Lockhart Road, ground floor, is now detained in hospital for treatment.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"You don't have to bawl them out, Tony—I'll put this check on the table and they'll clam up!"

## Newspaper Criticises State Dept

London, Aug. 8.  
The News Chronicle today protested vigorously at the United States State Department's attitude to American journalists who have been invited to go to China.

"The State Department is refusing to allow fifteen American journalists to visit China although — or because — they have been invited there by the Peking government," this Liberal daily declared.

"Neither the decision itself, nor the arguments given to support it make much sense. The State Department points out that America has no diplomatic relations with China and that the invitation must be regarded as propaganda."

"This is either McCarthyism at a high level or fear of the truth. The Communist and Western worlds have to learn to live together whether they like it or not. The State Department's attitude can only help to foster the bitter suspicions that generate international friction and to perpetuate an isolationism which we all hoped was dead." —Reuter.

## Eden's Broadcast

Reception conditions in this area permitting, Radio Hongkong will record the address in made by the Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, on the Suez Canal situation at 9 p.m., GMT today, for broadcast after the 11 o'clock news tomorrow morning.

If reception conditions in the early morning are unfavourable, a recording of the Prime Minister's broadcast will be relayed from the General Overseas Service at 9.15 a.m., when a special transmission for this area has been arranged by the BBC.

The broadcast will be repeated after the lunch time news at 1.30 p.m. tomorrow, and again at 8.15 in the evening.

## Suspects Detained

Cash was stolen from a Chinese male passenger of a tram car in Hillier Street at 7.40 p.m., yesterday. A suspect has been detained. A Chinese man stole a handbag from a Chinese woman walking in Cheung Wah Street, near Shun Ning Street, at 8.50 p.m., yesterday. The Police have detained a suspect.

## Fatally Injured

A private car struck a 51-year-old Chinese woman at the junction of Chatham Road and Shek Tong Street at 11.40 p.m., yesterday. The woman, Cheung Mui, residing at 489, Chatham Road, ground floor, was admitted to Kowloon Hospital and succumbed to her injuries at 5.59 a.m. today.

## GOP Policies Attacked

Chicago, Aug. 7.  
Ninety-one Democratic Congressmen charged today that the Eisenhower administration is drifting toward war in the Near East. They asked Democratic platform writers to commit their party to a new policy of "vigorous leadership" to keep the peace.

The 108-member platform committee, which began laying the groundwork for a vigorous party blast at the Republican foreign policy, also heard: 1.—Former Assistant Secretary of State William Benton, the lead off witness, assert that the nation has been lucky to "avoid disaster" under Eisenhower's foreign policy. Benton, former Connecticut Senator, said "it's high time to return our foreign policy to competent and experienced hands" of the Democrats.

**"DON'T BE RIGID"**  
2.—Robert R. Nathan, speaking for Americans for Democratic action, urged the platform writers to avoid a foreign policy plank so "politically opportunistic and rigid" as to handicap a Democratic administration elected under its provisions.

The Congressmen submitted a proposed Near East plank through Rep. Thomas J. Dodd. Dodd was among a number of witnesses at the Committee's daylong foreign policy hearings to charge the administration with fumbling, vacillation and lack of leadership in its world relations.

Dodd said he is concerned at the danger of hot war in the Middle East, and the Free World's loss of friends and influence in the area. He said his concern is shared by the 91 House and Senate members whose proposed platform plank he offered the drafting committee. —United Press.

**Police Anxious To Interview Woman**  
In connection with the murder of Arthur John Clifford at Des Voeux Road Central at approximately 1.15 p.m. on August 4, 1956, the Police are anxious to interview a Chinese woman who was in the vicinity at the material time. It is believed that the Chinese woman was walking on the roadway in front of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank towards Ice House Street and that when she reached the West side of the Bank Building she was approached by a Chinese man who "tapped her on the head (or shoulder) with his hand and walked on. This lady, or anyone being aware of her identity, is requested to contact Detective Inspector Lowther at Central Police Station, telephone number 34822; extension 328 or any Police Station or Police Officer.

## Cairo Meeting

Cairo, Aug. 7.  
The Russian Ambassador, Mr Evgeny Kisseliev called on Egypt's President Colonel Nasser today to discuss the Suez problem for the fourth time in five days today. Only a few hours before, in Moscow, the British Ambassador had asked the Soviet Premier Marshal Bulganin for a plain statement of where Russia stood in the Suez crisis. —United Press.

## Mail Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are those for unregistered correspondence posted at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest times elsewhere which, in general, are earlier, for G.P.O. times can be ascertained by enquiry at the local office. These latest times for registered articles are generally one hour earlier than the times shown below. Particulars regarding parcel mail can be ascertained by enquiry at any post office.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8  
By Air  
Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.  
Formosa, 4 p.m.  
By Surface  
Formosa, Korea, 4 p.m.  
Macao, 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9  
By Air  
Peking, Shanghai, Hankow, 9 a.m.  
Thailand, Lebanon, Germany, France, Great Britain, 10 a.m.  
By Surface  
Indo-China, 11 a.m.  
Japan, 11 a.m.  
Philippines, 2 p.m.  
Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, 2 p.m.  
Great Britain, Europe, 6 p.m.  
Korea, 6 p.m.  
U.S.A., 6 p.m.  
By Surface  
China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.  
Macao, 1 p.m.  
Thailand, 2 p.m.  
Formosa, 2 p.m.  
Macao, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 10  
By Air  
Thailand, Ceylon, Burma, India, 8 a.m.  
Formosa, 10 a.m.  
Formosa, Japan, Korea, Okinawa, 11 a.m.  
Philippines, Australia, New Zealand, 2 p.m.  
Formosa, U.S.A., 2 p.m.  
Formosa, U.S.A., 6 p.m.  
Indo-China, France, 6 p.m.  
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Europe, 6 p.m.  
Great Britain, 6 p.m.  
Canton, 6 p.m.  
Japan, 6 p.m.  
By Surface  
China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.  
Australia, 11 a.m.  
Malaya, Ceylon, Aden, Middle East, Italy, Great Britain, Europe, 11 a.m.  
Germany, parcels direct, 11 a.m.  
Macao, parcels via Lagos, 2 p.m.  
West Africa, parcels via Takoradi, 2 p.m.  
Indo-China, 2 p.m.  
Thailand, 2 p.m.  
Formosa, 2 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 11  
By Air  
China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.  
Malaya, Burma, India, 11 a.m.  
Formosa, 11 a.m.  
Formosa, Japan, Korea, 12.30 p.m.  
Indo-China, France, 2 p.m.  
Japan, Canada, 2 p.m.  
Philippines, 2 p.m.  
Indonesia, 4 p.m.  
Australia, New Zealand, 4 p.m.  
U.S.A., 6 p.m.  
Br. E. Africa, P. East Africa, S. Africa, (N. & S. Rhodesia) P/E via Marquess, Argentina P/E direct, 5 p.m.  
China, People's Republic, 6 p.m.  
Macao, 1 p.m.  
By Surface  
Macao, 1 p.m.

## Radio Hongkong

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6 p.m., Time Signal and Programme Summary; 6.55, Lucky Dip; 7.00, Requests presented by Hongkongers; 7.15, Your Radio Concert; 7.30, The Voice of the East; 7.45, The Voice of the West; 7.55, Weather Report; 8.00, Time Signal and News; 8.05, Commentary on the News; 8.15, Interlude; 8.30, Music with Stephen Grappelli and his Quartet; 8.50, Gilbert and Sullivan; 9.00, The Voice of the East; 9.15, The Voice of the West; 9.30, The Voice of the East; 9.45, The Voice of the West; 10.00, The Voice of the East; 10.15, The Voice of the West; 10.30, The Voice of the East; 10.45, The Voice of the West; 11.00, The Voice of the East; 11.15, The Voice of the West; 11.30, The Voice of the East; 11.45, The Voice of the West; 12.00, The Voice of the East; 12.15, The Voice of the West; 12.30, The Voice of the East; 12.45, The Voice of the West; 1.00, The Voice of the East; 1.15, The Voice of the West; 1.30, The Voice of the East; 1.45, The Voice of the West; 2.00, The Voice of the East; 2.15, The Voice of the West; 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